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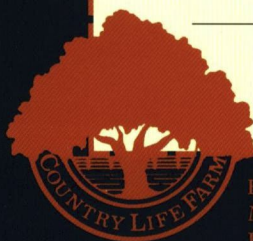
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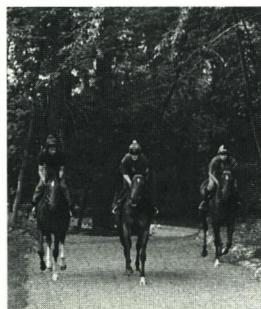
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Fillies, Two-Years-Old

Oct./Nov.	Heavenly Cause S	\$60,000-guaranteed	7 fur.
December	Md. Juvenile Filly Championship	\$100,000-guaranteed	1½ mi.

Three-Year-Olds

Fall	Northern Dancer S	\$100,000-guaranteed	1½ mi.
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July 11	Twixt S	\$100,000-guaranteed	1¼ mi.
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Three-Year-Olds and Up

July 12	Mister Diz H (T)	\$60,000-guaranteed	6 fur.
July 19	Find H (T)	\$75,000-guaranteed	1½ mi.
Nov./Dec.	Challedon H	\$60,000-guaranteed	7 fur.

Fillies and Mares, Three-Years-Old and Up

July 25	All Brandy H (T)	\$75,000-guaranteed	1½ mi.
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Racing dates: May 23 to Sept. 7.

Delaware Park revives Midsummer Hurdle

Delaware Park has announced the revival of the Midsummer Hurdle Handicap, to be run as an NSA Grade 2 event, for 4-year-olds and up, at about two and a quarter miles over National Fences.

The race has a long and proud history, having been a fixture at Monmouth Park from 1951 until its discontinuation in 1986. The Midsummer Hurdle will be run on July 12, as part of a three-race steeplechase program that also includes a maiden hurdle and a starter handicap hurdle.

Mountaineer Park

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Racing dates: Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.

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Racing Secretary: James Beam.
Racing dates: Jan. 1 to Dec. 31.

Timonium

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(410) 252-0200. Racing Secretary: Georganne Hale. Racing dates: Aug. 29 to Sept. 7.

Other tracks

Bay Meadows—Sept. 4 to Nov. 15
Belmont Park—May 13 to July 26
Calder Race Course—May 23 to Jan. 2
Del Mar—July 22 to Sept. 9
Finger Lakes—April 3 to Dec. 1
Hawthorne—June 2 to Nov. 28
Hollywood Park—April 24 to July 20
Ladbroke DRC—March 28 to Nov. 22
Lone Star Park—April 9 to July 19
Louisiana Downs—June 26 to Nov. 22
Prairie Meadows—April 25 to Sept. 30
River Downs—April 24 to Sept. 7
Rockingham Park—June 7 to Sept. 20
Saratoga—July 29 to Sept. 7
Thistledown—March 21 to Dec. 14
Turfway Park—Sept. 9 to Oct. 9
Woodbine—March 28 to Dec. 5

NSA graded stakes

GRADE 1

N.Y. Turf Writers, Saratoga, N.Y. Aug. 20.
Grand National, Far Hills, N.J. Oct. 24.
Colonial Cup, Camden, S.C. Nov. 22.

GRADE 2

Midsummer Hurdle, Delaware Park, Del. July 12.
A.P. Smithwick, Saratoga, N.Y. July 30.

GRADE 3

Noel Laing, Montpelier Station, Va. Nov. 7.

NSA summer/fall schedule

Call the National Steeplechase Association at
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Delaware Park, Stanton, Del. (302) 994-2521.
July 12.

Saratoga Open House, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
(518) 584-6200. July 26

Saratoga, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (2 races each week). (518) 584-6200. July 29-Sept. 7.
Colonial Downs, New Kent, Va. (2 races each week). (804) 966-RACE. Aug. 26-Oct. 12.
Fairfax, Leesburg, Va. Sept. 19.
Oxmoor, Louisville, Ky. Sept. 20.
Willowdale, Kennett Square, Pa. Sept. 26.
Foxfield, Charlottesville, Va. Sept. 27.
Virginia Fall, Middleburg, Va. Oct. 3.
Genesee Valley, Geneseo, N.Y. Oct. 10.
Morven Park, Leesburg, Va. Oct. 10.
International Gold Cup, The Plains, Va. Oct. 17.
Monmouth County, Red Bank, N.J. Oct. 17.
Far Hills Races, Far Hills, N.J. Oct. 24.
Pennsylvania Hunt Cup, Unionville, Pa. Nov. 1.
Callaway Gardens, Columbus, Ga. Nov. 7.
Montpelier, Montpelier Station, Va. Nov. 7.
Charleston Cup, Charleston, S.C. Nov. 15.
Aiken, Aiken, S.C. Nov. 21.
Colonial Cup, Camden, S.C. Nov. 22.

Mid-Atlantic auctions

Eastern Fall Yearlings, Fasig-Tipton Midlantic, Timonium Sales Pavilion, Timonium, Md. (410) 392-5555 or 252-5860. Oct. 5, 6.
December Mixed, Fasig-Tipton Midlantic, Timonium Sales Pavilion, Timonium, Md. (410) 392-5555 or 252-5860. Dec. 6, 7.

Out-of-state auctions

July Selected Yearlings, Keeneland, Lexington, Ky. (800) 456-3412. July 20-22.
Selected Yearlings, Fasig-Tipton Kentucky, Lexington, Ky. (606) 255-1555. July 22.
Selected Yearlings, Fasig-Tipton New York, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (516) 328-1800 or (518) 584-4700. Aug. 11-13.
Selected Seasons and Shares, Stallion Access, Fasig-Tipton Kentucky, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (606) 255-1555. Aug. 14.
Preferred Yearlings, Fasig-Tipton New York, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (516) 328-1800 or (518) 584-4700. Aug. 16.
Two-Year-Olds in Training and Horses of Racing Age, Fasig-Tipton New York, Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (516) 328-1800 or (518) 584-4700. Aug. 18.
Selected Yearlings, Ocala Breeders' Sales Co., Calder Race Course, Miami, Fla. (352) 237-2154. Aug. 24.
Open Yearlings, Ocala Breeders' Sales Co., Calder Race Course, Miami, Fla. (352) 237-2154. Aug. 25-27.
Summer Yearlings, Fasig-Tipton Texas, Lone Star Park, Grand Prairie, Tex. (972) 262-0000. Aug. 31-Sept. 1.
September Yearlings, Keeneland, Lexington, Ky. (800) 456-3412. Sept. 14-24.

Clinics, seminars

John Lyons Training Seminar, Morven Park, Leesburg, Va. (703) 443-2611. Aug. 8.

News and notes from seven-state region

Colonial Downs's harness meet fails to brighten outlook for 1998

Figures have been underwhelming for Colonial Downs's 43-day spring harness meet that started April 24 and ends July 5. Halfway through the meet, daily attendance averaged slightly more than 1,500, with a per capita wagering figure of \$57.38. Track officials had said they needed an average daily attendance of 2,000, with per capita wagering of \$70, to break even.

The 31-day fall Thoroughbred meet starts August 26, and will be followed by a short harness meet in November.

The Virginia track claims it faces "a bleak future" and stands to lose up to \$4 million this year if it doesn't re-

ceive some relief. During the first quarter of this year, Colonial Downs reported an operating loss of nearly \$1 million.

Track officials blame their financial woes on a management contract with the Maryland Jockey Club, purse account formulas and "regulatory pressure" from the Virginia Racing Commission to settle nearly \$5 million in disputed bills from subcontractors.

Colonial Downs has been severely criticized for its dearth of advertising and its apparent unwillingness to spend money on marketing. "I think they have some good people in their marketing department and they come up

with good ideas, but they don't give them the tools they need to work with, and when I say tools I mean dollars," said Donald R. Price, the commission's executive secretary.

Colonial Downs hopes to improve its financial picture by reducing the fee it pays to the Maryland Jockey Club to manage its Thoroughbred meet. Under the contract, the MJC receives two percent of all handle, except on live harness racing. That amounts to nearly \$3 million a year.

The track prevailed in April when the Racing Commission agreed to name a mediator to settle an arbitration dispute between Colonial Downs and the MJC. Colonial Downs had not paid the Maryland Jockey Club since October, and both groups pushed for the mediation. John H. Shenefield, the commission's former chairman and a Washington lawyer, will hear the matter. His decision will be binding, which means it cannot be appealed.

The track also contends that it depleted the money it had set aside for any operating shortfalls when the Racing Commission "spent several months publicly pressuring" Colonial Downs to pay nearly \$5 million to about 30 subcontractors who worked on the track last summer and who claimed their bills hadn't been paid, chairman Jeffrey P. Jacobs wrote the commission

in April. Colonial Downs is already in arbitration with its general contractor, Norglass Inc.

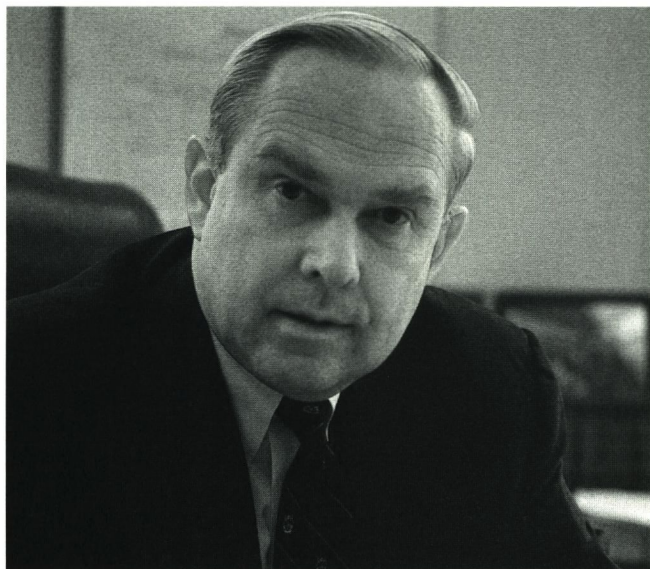
Commission chairwoman Robin Traywick Williams pointed out that Colonial Downs has made "a number of decisions about how to spend its resources," such as paying \$4 million on its new off-track betting parlor in Hampton.

"I think Colonial Downs has certainly made a mark in the racing world, and the challenge facing Colonial Downs is, as with all new tracks, establishing a similar mark in the consciousness of the public," Williams said. "And of course in my mind that always comes back to the issue of marketing and promotion."

Colonial Downs plans to meet with leaders of both harness and Thoroughbred groups to "revisit" the purse account formulas, which the track said are based on all six betting parlors operating. Four facilities are now open, which Jacobs wrote are not enough to carry the \$7 million in purse accounts.

While horsemen praise the racing program and point to the new records that have been set during the harness meet, the bottom line is promotion. "We're breaking records and we've got the fastest, safest and prettiest facility in the world here, and we need to let people know about it," said Charlie Dunavant, president of the Virginia Harness Horse Association.

/Pamela Stallsmith



BARRIE REIGHTLER

Former Racing Commission chairman John Shenefield will decide Colonial Downs/Maryland Jockey Club dispute.

Two grand old gray mares produce colts on May 1

The odds of it happening that way were perhaps a million to one, but at Tom and Chris Bowman's Dance Forth Farm in Chestertown, Md., the delight was immeasurable on the night of May 1.

Within several hours, two of the farm's most distinguished, and elderly, broodmare residents—three-time Maryland-bred champion Kattegat's Pride and multiple stakes producer War Exchange—each gave birth to a colt foal.

For Kattegat's Pride, 19, the son of Opening Verse spells the end of a ten-year hiatus. The mare, still owned by her breeders Stephen and Sue Quick, won 19 of 54 starts, including ten stakes, and earned \$511,812, but has to her credit only two earlier offspring (both modest winners by Spend a Buck), born in 1987 and '88.

At age 26, War Exchange now has at her side her 11th foal. The colt, by Wayne County (Ire), is a half-brother to graded stakes winners Bar-

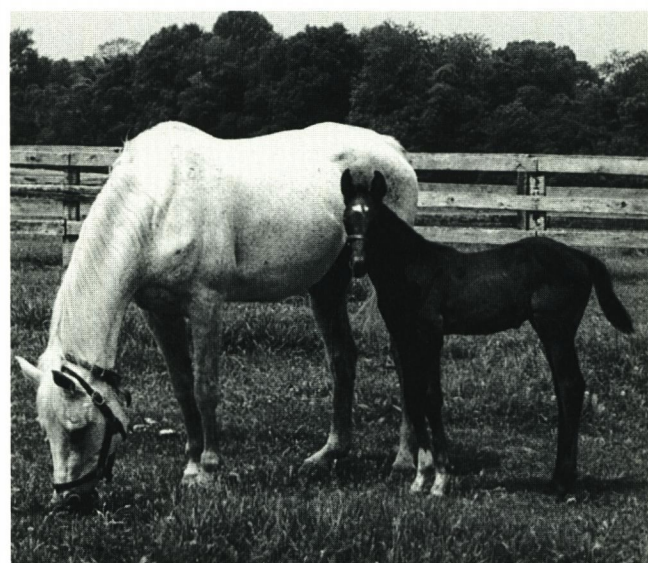
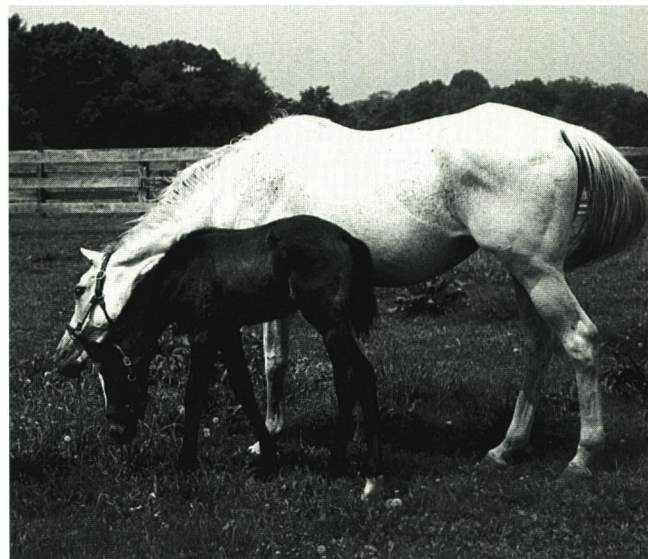
barika and Lucky Lady Lauren as well as stakes-placed Count On Kathy, granddam of 1997 Eclipse award winning 2-year-old filly Countess Diana.

Tom Bowman, a veterinarian specializing in equine reproduction, frequently takes in "problem" mares at his farm. War Exchange belongs to the Bowmans, having been given to them several years ago by her longtime owner Dr. Herman J. Kossow.

The Quicks sent Kattegat's Pride to Dance Forth in late 1996, and the two mares quickly became best friends. "They were turned out in the same field, and looked like two peas in a pod," says Sue Quick.

Kattegat's Pride was bred back to Wayne County (Ire) and War Exchange will most likely be retired.

Shown, from top:
Kattegat's Pride with her Opening Verse colt and War Exchange with son of Wayne County (Ire).



BECKY DAVIS (2)

University of Maryland needs cooperation of breeders/owners/trainers in conducting state-mandated survey

Within the next few months, the University of Maryland will be mailing surveys to Thoroughbred breeders, owners and trainers who conduct business within Maryland, in order to gather information that will be used in a comprehensive analysis of the economic impact of the horse racing industry within the state.

The study was mandated in a bill passed by the 1998 Maryland General Assembly and signed into law by Governor Parris Glendening.

Leading the economic impact study are Dr. Wesley Musser, professor of agricultural and resource economics, and Dr. Malcolm Commer Jr., livestock economist with the Cooperative Extension Service. Extension associate Nancy Wallace and government consultant Wayne Rhodes will also participate in the study team.

The research is to be completed by December 1.

Horse Sense brochure

The Horse Industry Alliance (HIA) has produced a brochure, *Horse Sense*, to guide the general public into involvement with pleasure horses.

An influx of first-time owners is expected due to the popularity of the movie *The Horse Whisperer*. "We want to encourage responsible and informed participation," said HIA executive director Patti Colbert. For more information call (512) 355-3225.

Old Guard honors major benefactor

Of the many ways to serve one's country, horseman Thomas J. Smrt of Marengo, Ill., has chosen one of the most original.

Over the past 13 years, the inventor and businessman noted for his advances in spray paint technology has donated a total of 44 English Shires to the 3d U.S. Infantry (the Old Guard). The horses provide final honors for military and civilian officials laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery.

"The Old Guard has acquired the best of the best English Shires because of him," wrote PFC Jamelle A. Wyman, of the 3d U.S. Infantry's public affairs office. Smrt has also contributed veterinary services and training opportunities to members of the caisson platoon.

In a ceremony held April 28 on Fort Myer's Summerall Field, Smrt was awarded the Outstanding Civilian Service medal and made an honorary member of the 3d U.S. Infantry. "I donated the horses for all the men who died in the wars of this great country," Smrt said. "They no longer have a voice, but today, here on these hallowed grounds, the Shires speak for our honored dead."



Thomas J. Smrt, of Fox Valley Draft Horse Farms in Marengo, Ill., accepts the Army's Outstanding Civilian Service Award for his contributions to the Old Guard.

Virginia horsewoman wins AHP student award

American Horse Publications has selected Stephanie Lynn Church of Midlothian, Va., to receive its annual student award.

An equestrian studies and journalism major at Averett College in Danville, Va., Church participated in 4-H and Pony Club and currently teaches at Sandy River Equestrian Center. She will intern this summer at an AHP member publication.

The AHP student award winner receives \$500 plus an all-expense paid trip to the AHP's annual meeting and seminar, to be held this year in San Diego, Calif.

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Equine Medical Center to conduct injury survey at Colonial Downs

A newly funded study at the Marion duPont Scott Equine Medical Center in Leesburg, Va., may lead to better understanding of musculoskeletal injuries, the primary cause of breakdowns on the race track.

The Virginia Horse Industry Board has approved the first year of a three-year proposal from Dr. Nathaniel White, professor of equine surgery, and Medical Center director Dr. Frederick Fregin, to investigate racing and training injuries at Colonial Downs.

The researchers propose to use risk factor analysis in an effort to better understand and perhaps identify some previously unknown causes of musculoskeletal injuries in race horses. Previous studies in this area have been primarily concerned with catastrophic injury, Dr. White said. The EMC study will more broadly examine factors that increase the risk of injury during both racing and training.

During the first year of the project, a survey system will be set up to collect information from veterinarians and trainers.

Perrone among honorees at Alibi Breakfast

Free-lance writer Vinnie Perrone, a regular contributor to *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred*, was recognized with Pimlico's Old Hilltop Award at this year's Preakness-eve Alibi Breakfast.

The Old Hilltop Award pays tribute to members of the sports media who have covered Thoroughbred racing with excellence and distinction.

Other Alibi Breakfast honorees were Jay Hovdey, whose "One Stride to Glory," published in *The Blood-Horse*, won the David F. Woods Memorial Award as the best Preakness story of the previous year; Ed Kiernan of Baltimore's WBAL Radio, also a recipient of an Old Hilltop Award; and Carl F. Pascarella of VISA USA, given the Maryland Jockey Club Special Award of Merit.



Scorecard for MATCH series

3-Year-Olds and Upward Sprint - Dirt

Maryland Breeders' Cup H-G3	May 16	Pim	\$200,000	6 fur.	Richter Scale, Trafalger, Original Gray
Damitrius S	June 7	Del	50,000	6 fur.	
Shrewsbury S	July 11	Mth	50,000	6 fur.	
Philadelphia Breeders' Cup H	Aug. 2	Pha	200,000	6 fur.	
Longfellow H	Aug. 29	Mth	50,000	6 fur.	
Chesapeake S	Sept. 12	Cln	100,000	6 fur.	
Mario Beneito Memorial H	Oct. 3	Pen	50,000	6 fur.	

Points leaders

Richter Scale	6
Trafalger	4
Original Gray	3
In C C's Honor	2
Cat Be Nimble	1
Jove Stone	1
Star Trace	1

3-Year-Olds and Upward Long - Dirt

William Donald Schaefer H	May 16	Pim	\$100,000	1½ mi.	Acceptable, Littlebitlively, Testafly
Baltimore Breeders' Cup H-G3	June 13	Pim	200,000	1½ mi.	
Norristown H	July 4	Pha	50,000	1½ mi.	
Salvator Mile H-G3	Aug. 1	Mth	100,000	1 mi.	
Philip H. Iselin H-G2	Aug. 30	Mth	250,000	1½ mi.	
Polynesian H	Sept. 13	Cln	100,000	1½ mi.	
Brandywine H	Oct. 3	Del	150,000	1½ mi.	

Points leaders

Acceptable	6
Littlebitlively	4
Testafly	3
Testing	2
Connecting Terms, Fireside Brass, Smart Coupons, Tam's Armada	1

Fillies and Mares, 3-Year-Olds and Upward Long - Turf

Gallorette H-G3	May 15	Pim	\$100,000	1½ mi.	Tresoriere, Bursting Forth, Starry Dreamer
Matchmaker S-G3	June 20	Mth	100,000	1½ mi.	
Penn National Distaff H	July 12	Pen	100,000	1½ mi.	
Doylestown S	Aug. 15	Pha	50,000	1½ mi.	
New Castle H	Aug. 30	Del	100,000	1½ mi.	
Violet H-G3	Sept. 18	Med	100,000	1½ mi.	
All Along S-G3	Oct. 3	Cln	100,000	1½ mi.	

Points leaders

Tresoriere	6
Bursting Forth	4
Starry Dreamer	3
Tampico	2
Aflect Would	1
Earth to Jackie	1
Fickle Fate	1

3-Year-Olds Sprint - Dirt

Hirsch Jacobs S	May 9	Pim	\$50,000	6 fur.	Klabin's Gold, Carnivorous Habit, Greenspring Willy
Legal Light S	May 31	Del	50,000	6 fur.	Five Star Deputy, Klabin's Gold, Galic Boy
Jersey Shore Breeders' Cup-G3	June 27	Mth	75,000	6 fur.	
Long Clover H	July 18	Pha	50,000	6 fur.	
Rumson S	Aug. 23	Mth	50,000	6 fur.	
Bergen County S	Sept. 11	Med	50,000	6 fur.	
Montpelier S	Oct. 3	Cln	75,000	6 fur.	

Points leaders

Klabin's Gold	10
Five Star Deputy	6
Carnivorous Habit	4
Galic Boy	3
Greenspring Willy	3
P Day	2
Thunder Bow	2

3-Year-Olds Long - Dirt

Federico Tesio S	April 18	Pim	\$150,000	1½ mi.	Thomas Jo, Medford, Monk's Falcon
Sir Barton S	May 16	Pim	100,000	1½ mi.	Thomas Jo, Silver Launch, Swear by Dixie
Leonard Richards S	June 14	Del	150,000	1½ mi.	
Long Branch Breeders' Cup S	July 19	Mth	100,000	1½ mi.	
Francis (Jock) LaBelle Memorial S	Aug. 9	Del	75,000	1½ mi.	
Pennsylvania Derby-G3	Sept. 7	Pha	250,000	1½ mi.	
Paterson S	Oct. 3	Med	50,000	1½ mi.	

Points leaders

Thomas Jo	12
Medford	6
Silver Launch	4
Monk's Falcon	3
Swear by Dixie	3
Mister Business	2



Three-year-old Thomas Jo, shown winning the Sir Barton Stakes on Preakness day, is undefeated in his two MATCH starts this season, having also won the Federico Tesio Stakes.



Mrs. Alec Head's Tresoriere outfinishes Bursting Forth to take the May 15 Gallorette Handicap-G3—one of four MATCH races held during Preakness week at Pimlico.

Points leaders-trainers

<i>Trainer (horse)</i>	<i>Points</i>
James A. Jerkens (Thomas Jo)	12
Allen Iwinski (Klabin's Gold)	10
Christophe Clement (Tresoriere)	6
William I. Mott (Acceptable)	6
William I. Mott (Richter Scale)	6
Benjamin W. Perkins Sr. (Medford)	6
Tim F. Ritchey (Five Star Deputy)	6
Bobby C. Barnett (Littlebitlively)	4
D. Wayne Lukas (Trafalger)	4
H. Graham Motion (Bursting Forth)	4
Hamilton A. Smith (Carnivorous Habit)	4
Nicholas P. Zito (Silver Launch)	4

Points leaders-owners

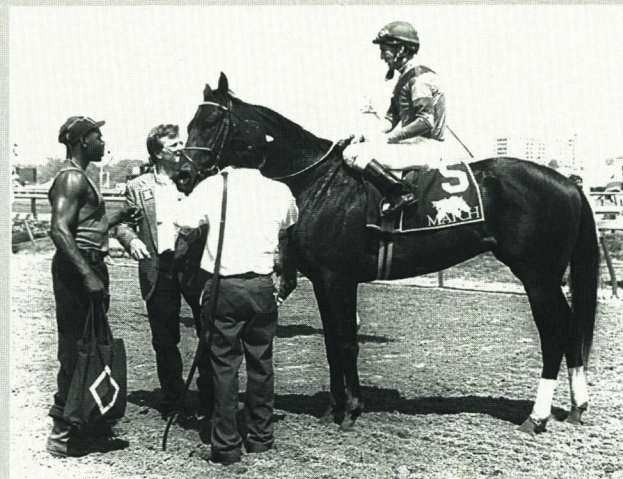
<i>Owner (horse)</i>	<i>Points</i>
Earle I. Mack and Team Valor (Thomas Jo)	12
Acclaimed Racing Stable (Klabin's Gold)	10
Candy Stable (Five Star Deputy)	6
Mrs. Alec Head (Tresoriere)	6
Richard and Nancy Kaster (Richter Scale)	6
Kinsman Stud Farm (Acceptable)	6
New Farm (Medford)	6
Blue Goose Stable (Silver Launch)	4
John A. Franks (Littlebitlively)	4
Hickory Plains Farm (Carnivorous Habit)	4
Sam Huff (Bursting Forth)	4
Beverly and Robert Lewis (Trafalger)	4



Klabin's Gold tops 3-year-old sprint division following win in Pimlico's Hirsch Jacobs S.



Richter Scale (on rail) makes his winning stretch run in the Maryland Breeders' Cup Handicap-G3. Others in foreground (from left) are In C C's Honor, Trafalger and Cat Be Nimble.



Trainer Bill Mott and jockey Jerry Bailey teamed up to win two Preakness day MATCH races, including the William Donald Schaefer Handicap with Acceptable.

Secretariat's Preakness stands most important test of time

by Timothy T. Capps

SECRETARIAT WAS THE BEST AMERICAN race horse of my lifetime (thus far), at least in my opinion, and I do not expect to see his equal during my remaining days on earth.

This is partly a function of mind over matter. Secretariat truly was *that* good. There is, though, the thought that I really don't *want* to see a horse as good as Secretariat. Therefore, I do not acknowledge the possibility that another Thoroughbred could be his equal.

Like all the "Sekkiess" of the racing world, I was inspired by his outer-worldly performances in the Triple Crown races. Each race had a life of its own, exclusive of the other two events, as if the horse were purposely etching his legacy on the individual Triple Crown races.

The Kentucky Derby was his "I'll show 'em" race, the moment when he left behind any doubts about his class or stamina. Rebounding from a still-puzzling loss in the Wood Memorial, he dazzled us with his patented come-from-behind power move, running each successive quarter-mile faster en route to a track record 1:59 $\frac{5}{8}$ mile and a quarter.

The Preakness unveiled another dimension to this racing machine. Away from the gate in his typical unhurried fashion, Secretariat took matters into his own hands (hooves?) going into the first turn and lit an afterburner, running a quarter in 22 seconds or under while sweeping by the startled field. The rest was a matter of keeping up the good work until he reached the wire comfortably ahead of Sham, his only real competition.

The Pimlico teletimer said he completed the Preakness's mile and three-sixteenths in 1:55. But, wait. Two *Daily Racing Form* clockers said this was not so, that he had stopped their watches in 1:53 $\frac{3}{4}$, a new race and track record.

The Pimlico clocker, hand-timing the race as a back-up to the teletimer, reported in at 1:54 $\frac{3}{4}$. Maryland Racing Com-

Contrived efforts to make Secretariat an uncertain record-holder can only diminish his performance.

mission rules regarding race timing require that, in the event of a teletimer malfunction, the track clocker's time shall prevail.

Caught up, like everyone else, in Secretariat mania, the *Daily Racing Form* and other racing media took up the cudgel for an amended final time. Some reviewed video tapes of the race and hand-timed it while others relied on CBS footage comparing Secretariat's Preakness with that of Canonero II, whose record-setting 1:54 performance had occurred in 1971. The latter presentation, while lacking sophisticated technical detail, made it appear that Secretariat had run faster than Canonero II.

The Maryland Racing Commission, reacting to media pressure and an array of conflicting evidence, conducted a formal hearing into the matter and decided, due to the lack of mathematical precision in anyone's arsenal, to declare the Pimlico clocker's time as official. For the record, at least, the issue was settled.

Secretariat, oblivious to the furor, then pulverized his Belmont field by an

astounding 31 lengths, shattering the track and American records by running a mile and a half in 2:24. The overwhelming nature of his victory, combined with his simultaneous appearances on the covers of *Newsweek*, *Sports Illustrated* and *Time*, instantly made him America's greatest equine hero since Trigger.

Within the racing industry, thrilled by the first Triple Crown winner in 25 years, the Preakness timing controversy still simmered, always rearing its head whenever someone wrote or talked about Secretariat's Triple Crown. This year, of course, has seen renewed discussion as the 25th anniversary of Secretariat's remarkable 3-year-old season is celebrated.

Maryland Jockey Club president Joe De Francis, when asked prior to this year's Preakness about the situation, said he thought new technology might solve the mystery and indicated an interest in seeing the case reopened. MJC officials are likely to pursue this in upcoming weeks.

Maryland racing regulations still require that the timer's clocking stand as official if the teletimer demonstrably malfunctions. Regulations can be changed, and the MRC is presently seeking to deregulate racing in the state wherever possible, so the timing regs could be readily modified.

Here, though, we are prepared to pause.

There are two reasons commonly advanced for changing the final time of the 1973 Preakness: to acknowledge Secretariat's possible record-setting performance, and perpetuate historical accuracy. It should go without saying, but perhaps doesn't, that Secretariat needs no embellishment, especially one scarred by an asterisk. He will, like Man o' War in his time, be the frame of reference for all great horses of his era and beyond.

In fact, contrived efforts to make him an uncertain record-holder can only di-

minish his performance. No matter how good current technology might be, factors such as starting gate placement and track and weather conditions, all of which affect race times, can never be properly accounted for by belated application of electronic technology.

If this involved a lesser horse, would there be such avid interest in changing things?

If such a review is undertaken, shouldn't it also include the nine Preakness clockings faster than Secretariat's official time? Couldn't one or more of them have been compromised by faulty timing, as well? How about the Preaknesses of Seattle Slew and Affirmed, great horses whose clockings were identical to Secretariat's?

Personnel from the teletimer company always hand-time each race from a superior vantage point on Pimlico's roof. Their reports from the '73 Preakness were that their watches were stopped at 1:54½, a tick faster than the teletimer. Even if one were to assume, however unfairly, that their records are self-serving, this is only further indication of the slippery slope of re-examining aging, conflicting evidence.

Pundits on all sides of this argument are correct: it is time to end the debate. Secretariat's legacy and reputation are secure without the Preakness record, which by now would be shared with Louis Quatorze and Tank's Prospect, only his would have a footnote attached.

Today's fans are mostly oblivious to the issue, which seems to be more of a media controversy than anything else. The MRC would serve history best in this instance by leaving it alone. We will never know with certainty how fast Secretariat ran in the 1973 Preakness. What we do know is that he won it, and the Triple Crown, in a manner that earned him millions of admirers and an image that glows ever more brightly with the passage of time.

That is enough.

Speaking of Preaknesses, what about Preakness 123, run on May 16 in semi-darkness at Pimlico?

The aftermath of the unfortunate power failure that made life miserable for many fans and the De Francis family has been predictable. Sports columnists and racing writers have teed off on the Maryland Jockey Club management, and Joe De Francis in particular, for inept response during a moment of crisis and failure to anticipate and prepare for such emergencies.

Our first reaction was one of sadness, for Joe and Karin De Francis and for Maryland racing, not to mention the thousands of fans inconvenienced by the problem. A reporter's job at such moments is to report what he or she observes, and the stories of failed emergency lighting, frustrated bettors, money stuck in voucher machines and other miseries were snapshots of an unhappy situation.

Pimlico is an old track in an aging urban neighborhood. A new, \$150-million plant in suburban Baltimore would be welcome, but the racing industry won't be able to build the "new" Pimlico any more than the Orioles built Oriole Park or the Ravens have built their spectacular new home.

Does the Maryland Jockey Club need to improve its emergency plans and procedures? Of course. Does Baltimore Gas & Electric need to upgrade Pimlico's electrical support system? Absolutely. Do both organizations need a plan to assure the public that such actions are being taken? Yes.

A lot also went right about this Preakness, most significantly the vast majority of fans who proved that the event matters most by staying through the Preakness, despite their discomfort. They got to see a special performance by a quality colt who emphatically certified his Kentucky Derby win with an even more impressive Preakness.

You can watch Preaknesses till the cows come home but you will rarely see a horse handle his field with such alacrity as did Real Quiet. Racing almost nonchalantly turning for home, he dominated the stretch drive in a commanding manner. Naysayers are already claiming he is simply the best of a mediocre lot. The same was said of Sir Barton, Omaha, Whirlaway and Assault. They won the Triple Crown and are firmly enshrined in the Hall of Fame. Case closed.

Then there was Wayne Lukas. Low key, almost petulant before the Preakness, Lukas witnessed Cape Town run poorly, then come back with a career-ending broken sesamoid.

Lost in the shuffle was Lukas's work on Friday morning before the Preakness when he put kids from the local Ronald McDonald House on the back of his stable pony and posed for pictures. This happened during the Alibi Breakfast, from which he was notably absent.

During what was a bad week for a lot of people, Lukas did the right thing at the right time. ❖

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Kentucky Derby

Real Quiet's victory is American dream come true

by Timothy T. Capps

ONLY IN AMERICA. In 1998, the Kentucky Derby winner is owned by a guy who sells hamburgers for a living.

In 1997, the Kentucky Derby winner was owned by a guy who sold beer for a living.

In 1996, the Kentucky Derby winner was owned by a guy who made a fortune selling peanut butter.

The Kentucky Derby story is rarely about one person, or one horse, for that matter. The 124th edition of the Derby, though, came as close as any could to being a one-man story, and the story belongs to Mike Pegram, owner of Kentucky Derby winner Real Quiet.

Pegram's story is uniquely American, a saga of hard work, loyalty and a willingness to go where his heart leads. Imagine, if you will, the owner of the winner of the English Derby or Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe showing up at the winner's presentation in a tweed jacket and golf shirt, then announcing to millions of television viewers his intention to go off with his friends and drink all the beer in town.

Pegram is a native of Fort Knox, Ky., who grew up in the small southern Indiana town of Princeton, where he went to the races at Ellis Park with his father, family and friends. At age 23 he was living in Mount Vernon, Wash., where he opened his first McDonald's restaurant. He now has 22 such restaurants, and they are the reason he is now in the racing business.

Pegram joined forces with trainer Bob Baffert when the latter was training Quarter Horses and talked Baffert into trying Thoroughbreds in 1988. Ten remarkable years later, the two friends would be exchanging hugs on the winner's platform at the Kentucky Derby.

The horse who got them here is named Real Quiet, a name that does anything but reflect the personalities of his owner and trainer. Real Quiet is, in appearance and style, low-key, but on Derby Day he was ready to rumble.

A well-bred colt (by NYRA Mile winner Quiet American out of the Believe It mare Really Blue, from the family of 1969 Derby and Preakness winner Majestic Prince), Real Quiet has less-than-ideal forelegs, which made him a \$17,000 yearling purchase.

Baffert saw some promise in "The Fish," as Real Quiet is nicknamed, but it took time, blinkers and distance to realize his potential. He lost his first six races, then found victory lane on October 18, 1997, with resurgent jockey Kent Desormeaux on board for a mile and a sixteenth trip.

A victory in the Hollywood Futurity-G1 in December stamped him as a potential classic sort, but he was winless in three starts in 1998 coming into the Derby, his best efforts being seconds in the San Felipe Stakes-G2 and Santa Anita Derby-G1.

His penchant for late rushes and Baffert's conditioning made him a solid Derby contender, but most observers saw him as a horse most likely to get a check, but not the \$738,800 prize going to the winner.

Barnmate Indian Charlie, unbeaten in four starts and winner of the Santa Anita Derby, was favored over 1997 horse of the year Favorite Trick, with Cape Town and Halory Hunter next in the betting, followed by Real Quiet at 8.40-1 and Arkansas Derby-G2 winner Victory Gallop, relatively friendless at 14.60-1.

The fleet Old Trieste, coming off an astounding 1:09 six-furlong workout at

Churchill Downs the Sunday before the Derby, led the field through the first six furlongs in 1:10 $\frac{3}{4}$, with Indian Charlie lurking nearby and Real Quiet saving ground on the inside, then sliding outside to launch a move on the final turn.

Moving willingly under Desormeaux, Real Quiet went around Old Trieste and Indian Charlie without pressure. At the head of the stretch, Desormeaux said "let's go" and Real Quiet responded to draw out by a length and a half in mid-stretch. Behind him, Halory Hunter was trying to move up, but ducked away from a drifting Cape Town.

Indian Charlie could find no more punch and Real Quiet seemed home free, but Victory Gallop, 15th and last after a half-mile, was flying on the outside. Almost six lengths back with a quarter-mile to go, Victory Gallop was easily the strongest finisher, but Real Quiet, changing leads nearing the wire, held on by a half-length, with Indian Charlie two and a quarter lengths back in third. The mile and a quarter was completed in a modest 2:02 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Baffert, seemingly expecting to win with Indian Charlie, was not as ebullient as usual, but Pegram and 50 of his closest friends more than made up for it, as did Desormeaux, who mimicked an NBA player with his body language and gave the new NTRA slogan "Go Baby Go!" a life of its own as he and Real Quiet galloped out.

Pegram, overcome with elation, set the tone for the next Triple Crown race, the Preakness, when he responded to a query about going on to Baltimore by saying: "Where's that?"

He would know soon enough. ♦



INSET: LA WILLIAMS

Owner Mike Pegram (inset) was anything but quiet about celebrating Real Quiet's triumph. The strongest challenge came from runner-up Victory Gallop (outside), who was based in Maryland as a 2-year-old; the Cryptoclearance colt won two stakes at Colonial Downs as well as finishing second in the Laurel Futurity-G3.



RICK BUCKLEY (2)

Value of Race: \$1,038,800 Winner \$738,800; second \$170,000; third \$85,000; fourth \$45,000. Mutuel Pool \$25,045,898.00 Exacta Pool \$11,720,108.00 Trifecta Pool \$10,774,626.00 Superfecta Pool \$1,644,807.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.Wt	PP	1/4	1/2	3/4	1	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
4Apr98 5SA ²	Real Quiet	Lb	3 126	3	8 1/2	6 1/2	11	1 1/2	1 1/2		Desormeaux K J	8.40
11Apr98 90P ¹	Victory Gallop	L	3 126	13	14 1/2	15	14 1/2	7 1/2	3rd	22 1/2	Solis A	14.60
4Apr98 5SA ¹	Indian Charlie	L	3 126	8	4 1/2	5 1/2	4th	2 1/2	22	3rd	Stevens G L	2.70
11Apr98 9Kee ¹	Halory Hunter	L	3 126	4	15	12 1/2	12 1/2	6 1/2	56	41	Nakatani C S	6.60
11Apr98 9Kee ³	Cape Town	L	3 126	11	6th	8th	8 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	58	Bailey J D	4.60
11Apr98 10Aqu ³	Parade Ground	L	3 126	10	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	10 1/2	6th	6th	Sellers S J	22.30
11Apr98 90P ²	Hanuman Highway-IR	L	3 126	6	9 1/2	9 1/2	7 1/2	9 1/2	85	7th	Flores D R	22.50
11Apr98 90P ³	Favorite Trick	L	3 126	7	5 1/2	4th	5 1/2	5 1/2	7th	8 1/2	Day P	4.40
4Apr98 5SA ⁶	Nationalore	Lb	3 126	1	12th	14 1/2	15	11 1/2	93	94 1/2	Almeida G F	109.60
4Apr98 7SA ¹	Old Trieste	L	3 126	14	2 1/2	1 1/2	13 1/2	3 1/2	104	103 1/2	Albarado R J	32.10
4Apr98 10Hia ¹	Chilito	L	3 126	5	32	33	3 1/2	8 1/2	115	117 1/2	Boulanger G	34.80
11Apr98 90P ⁶	Robinwoud	Lbf	3 126	15	7th	7 1/2	9 1/2	135	122	124 1/2	Fires E	f-69.80
4Apr98 5SA ³	Artax	L	3 126	12	102	103	10 1/2	122	131	132 1/2	McCarron C J	11.50
22Mar98 9Tam ³	Rock and Roll	Lb	3 126	9	1 1/2	22	2nd	15	141	141 1/2	Torres F C	50.60
11Apr98 10Aqu ⁴	Basic Trainee	L	3 126	2	11 1/2	11 1/2	142	15	15		Velazquez J R	f-69.80

f-Mutuel Field: Robinwoud and Basic Trainee.

OFF AT 5:29 Start Good For All But OLD TRIESTE. Won driving. Time, :22 3/4, :45 3/4, 1:10 3/4, 1:35 3/4, 2:02 1/4 Track fast.

\$2 Mutuel Prices:
 2-REAL QUIET 18.80 8.80 5.80
 12-VICTORY GALLOP 13.00 7.60
 7-INDIAN CHARLIE 4.20
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B. c. (Mar), by Quiet American-Really Blue, by Believe It. Trainer Baffert Bob. Bred by Little Hill Farm (Ky).

Preakness Stakes

It was a great race,
in spite of everything

by Timothy T. Capps

SOME DAYS, IT DOESN'T PAY TO GET out of bed. For Joe De Francis, president and chief executive officer of the Maryland Jockey Club, Preakness Day 1998 was one of those days.

This was the Preakness that deserved better.

Better than the 13 straight days of rain that finally ended in mid-week prior to the race, but cost it a prime contender.

Better than the "maybe we will, maybe we won't" approach to running taken by the connections of various possible contenders.

Better than the injury to Halory Hunter at the end of a muddy training spin.

Better than the scratches of Indian Charlie (didn't bounce back well from the Derby) and Coronado's Quest (heel bruise the morning before the race).

Certainly, better than the nightmarish power failure that left large segments of the Pimlico grandstand and clubhouse semi-dark, without air conditioning (with the temperature in the low 90s) and essentially betless. Occurring suddenly about 1 p.m. on Preakness day, the power outage became the story of the event, at least until about 5:30 p.m.

Actually, the early morning hours of Preakness Day must have looked promising to De Francis and other Maryland Jockey Club executives, for the weather was clear, if warm, the track fast, and the infield crowd both early and plentiful. After a week and a half of stress, things seemed to finally be in order, with Real Quiet, Victory Gallop and eight other 3-year-olds ready for the Preakness challenge as part of an excellent racing program featuring five other stakes races worth \$100,000 or more.

Things were, in fact, fine until a transformer just inside the stable gate failed, setting off a chain reaction that discomfited thousands of grandstand and clubhouse patrons and kept many betting terminals shut down for much of the afternoon.

The horses, of course, were oblivious to all this, which was fortunate because few Preaknesses have been surrounded by so much uncertainty regarding field composition.

First, Derby runner-up Victory Gallop was declared an unlikely starter. Then, trainer Bob Baffert decided that the Derby's third-place finisher Indian Charlie had lost weight following the Derby and would not come to Baltimore. His defection changed Victory Gallop's direction, sending him to Maryland.

The highly touted Coronado's Quest, Wood Memorial winner and king of Aqueduct but a poster boy for bad behavior in paddocks and post parades elsewhere, had stayed in New York because trainer Shug McGaughey thought the bedlam of the Kentucky Derby might send his colt around the bend.

However, Stuart Janney III, owner of Coronado's Quest, is a Marylander and wanted to run in the Preakness if McGaughey believed the horse could handle an atmosphere only slightly less charged than the Derby's. McGaughey decided he could, thus adding both tactical speed and exceptional talent to the race. Had Coronado's Quest started, he probably would have been favored.

Meanwhile, the gritty Halory Hunter, trained by the irrepressible Nick Zito and owned by Boston Celtic coach Rick Pitino, broke down on Tuesday morning prior to the race in a workout at Pimlico.

The rain would end that day, but a disconsolate Zito would second-guess his decision to work the horse in the mud.

The new-look post position draw, which got fouled up at the Derby, went smoothly at Pimlico, with entrants first determining the selection order, then picking post positions. Mike Pegram, Bob Baffert and the Real Quiet team drew the final lot, and were thus destined to start from the outside post position.

Baffert was honest, if nothing else, in assessing Real Quiet's post position, making it clear that he believed it could compromise the colt's chances, especially with Victory Gallop just inside him and Coronado's Quest in the number four hole. Wayne Lukas selected position five for Cape Town while picking number six for Bob and Beverly Lewis's Baquero, a fast son of Forty Niner who had never been past seven furlongs but, according to Lukas, was not being entered as a "rabbit." Tell us another one.

The scratch of Coronado's Quest might have given all parties one less contender to worry about, but it didn't really alter the tactics of the race.

Back to race day.

As uncomfortable and frustrated as they might have been, the vast majority of the crowd stayed for the Preakness. At 5:29, following an uneventful post parade and warm-up, they got the show they had been waiting for, and it was one to remember long after the power failure is an afterthought.

Gary Stevens on Victory Gallop was determined to keep Real Quiet outside his horse for as long as he could, which meant he would probably have to use his horse a bit earlier than usual.



Those two would, in fact, turn the Preakness into a two-horse race, with Stevens watching Desormeaux and the latter riding Real Quiet as if he were flying an F-18. Only Lexington Stakes-G2 winner Classic Cat could stay with the first two when the heat was turned up, and angled out on the final turn while Victory Gallop moved inside at about the same spot.

Desormeaux, wide all the way with Real Quiet, went five wide on the last turn, then six wide turning into the stretch. At this point, Real Quiet was drifting toward Philadelphia with his ears pricked, as if out for a morning canter.

Desormeaux, supremely confident, then asked his mount for a conclusive move and got instant acceleration, effectively ending the race by midstretch. Real Quiet would win by two and a quarter lengths over a resolute Victory Gallop, with Classic Cat a solid third.

Mike Pegram had found Baltimore, and the Preakness from the twilight zone was finally over. Normalcy reigned, the best horse won, and then some, and the racing world headed for Belmont Park with a Triple Crown winner a real possibility.

The power failure? Maybe it was El Nino. ♦



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A consummate pro, Real Quiet also shows off the playful side of his trainer Bob Baffert (right). Nameplate on right side of his halter has his nickname The Fish.

Value of Race: \$1,000,000 Winner \$650,000; second \$200,000; third \$100,000; fourth \$50,000. Mutuel Pool \$1,059,337.00 Exacta Pool \$612,767.00 Trifecta Pool \$369,060.00 Superfecta Pool \$51,712.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.Wt	PP	St	1/4	1/2	3/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
2May98 8CD1	Real Quiet	Lb	3	126	10	3	84	6hd	51	1 1/2	Desormeaux K J	2.50
2May98 8CD2	Victory Gallop	L	3	126	9	8	71 1/2	85	41	2 1/2	Stevens G L	2.00
19Apr98 8Kee1	Classic Cat	L	3	126	3	5	6hd	51	6 1/2	31	Albarado R J	12.30
11Apr98 90P4	Hot Wells	Lf	3	126	7	10	92	93 1/2	84	41	Prado E S	25.20
25Apr98 9CD3	Black Cash	Lb	3	126	2	4	2 1/2	31	73	52	Sellers S J	7.10
18Apr98 10Pim5	Spartan Cat	Lb	3	126	1	7	10	10	10	6 1/2	Wilson R	98.80
29Apr98 5CD2	Baquero	Lb	3	126	6	9	11 1/2	12 1/2	1 1/2	73 1/2	Day P	14.60
2May98 8CD15	Basic Trainee	Lf	3	126	5	6	3 1/2	2 1/2	3hd	96	Velasquez Cornelio	63.80
2May98 8CD5	Cape Town	L	3	126	4	2	41	44	2hd	81	Bailey J D	2.90
2May98 10Pim5	Silver's Prospect	L	3	126	8	1	5 1/2	7hd	92 1/2	10	Douglas F G	98.00

OFF AT 5:29 Start Good. Won driving. Time, :23 1/2, :46 1/2, 1:11, 1:35 1/4, 1:54 3/4 Track fast.

\$2 Mutuel Prices:
 11-REAL QUIET 7.00 3.60 3.00
 10-VICTORY GALLOP 3.20 2.80 4.80
 3-CLASSIC CAT

\$2 EXACTA 11-10 PAID \$14.80 \$2 TRIFECTA 11-10-3 PAID \$97.40 SUPERFECTA 11-10-3-8 PAID \$270.80

B. c. (Mar), by Quiet American-Really Blue, by Believe It. Trainer Baffert Bob. Bred by Little Hill Farm (Ky).

Belmont Stakes

As close as it gets:
an unquiet ending

by Timothy T. Capps

OKAY, IT WAS DISAPPOINTING. Not the race, just the outcome.

The Belmont Stakes has been around since 1867, but there have been few renewals whose final yards were as dramatic or memorable as the 1998 running. Virtually everyone—excepting the connections of the other horses—was pulling for a Real Quiet victory, and if body English could have done the job, Real Quiet, with the aid of more than 80,000 fans and millions of television viewers, would be a Triple Crown winner.

With deafening crowd noise gushing over them, Victory Gallop and Real Quiet came to the wire in the 130th Belmont in tandem and it took the photo finish camera to reveal that Victory Gallop, after a mile and a half, had gained a nostril victory. Thus, Real Quiet would go down as the 14th horse in history to win the Kentucky Derby and Preakness, only to fail to complete the Triple Crown.

Real Quiet's Belmont loss was by the narrowest margin of any Derby/Preakness winner, a matter of little consolation to owner Mike Pegram, trainer Bob Baffert or jockey Kent Desormeaux, all of whom were as magnanimous in defeat as they had been in victory.

Said Baffert: "He got beat, he just got beat. Kent didn't move too early; that's the horse's style. He just floundered at the end. The 'Fish' floundered."

Baffert was being facetious, of course, about the floundering part, for after five weeks and three and fifteen-sixteenths miles of exhausting competition, Real Quiet could have packed it in, as could have Victory Gallop. The fact that neither did is a tribute to both the skill of their trainers, Baffert and Elliott Walden, and

the athleticism and competitive steel of the two colts. There's not an ounce of quit in either one of them, and for all the knocks this 3-year-old class has gotten, it is atypical to find a pair of classic colts with the mettle of these two, who join Affirmed and Alydar (1978) and Sunday Silence and Easy Goer (1989) as the only pairs to finish first and second in all three Triple Crown races.

That the Canadian-bred Victory Gallop, a son of Cryptoclearance and grandson of Fappiano, as is Real Quiet, won the Belmont might well have been the result of a change in tactics. In the Preakness, trainer Walden and jockey Gary Stevens opted to stay with Real Quiet and keep him to Victory Gallop's outside, while moving whenever he moved.

This was a departure from Victory Gallop's accustomed style, which is to dawdle along early, then fly through the stretch. In Baltimore, the new approach worked up to a point. Problem was, that point came when turning for home as Real Quiet, trailing Victory Gallop by a half-length, hit the gas and blew by the Arkansas Derby-G2 winner. Real Quiet simply beat Victory Gallop for speed at Pimlico.

The mile and a half of the Belmont, though, can blunt such acceleration, and such would be the case in 1998.

Deciding that their horse needed to go back to his natural style, Walden and Stevens planned to let Victory Gallop do it his way, which meant dropping out of the early proceedings. He was helped in a sense by Illinois Derby-G2 winner Yarrow Brae, who bumped with him at the start, resulting in Victory Gallop's being shuffled back to tenth among the 11 starters.

"We got shuffled back a little farther than we hoped," said Walden. "We talked about letting him settle, letting Real Quiet make his move, weather the storm, don't try to play his game."

Stevens said, "It was tough around the three-eighths pole to watch Real Quiet go and just sit there. Real Quiet opened up—he's got an explosive move—but then he started to tire at the eighth pole. I thought we'd win by a neck or so, but he (Real Quiet) came out and made significant contact in the last strides.

"You point him at something and he'll go for it," said Stevens. The something he was pointed toward was Real Quiet, who had burst away from his field turning for home. Desormeaux would question whether his move was premature, feeling that the blinkered colt relaxed until it was too late.

Victory Gallop, apparently beaten with a quarter mile to go, trailing by seven and a half lengths, would have none of it, relentlessly closing the deficit to four lengths at the eighth pole, surging ever more to get the nod—by a nose bob—in the final feet.

Real Quiet was back in front a couple of yards after the wire, but, alas for all those hoping for a Triple Crown, close doesn't count.

The huge crowd, second largest in Belmont history, was poised to crown a king, and was noticeably subdued after the result was announced. They would most likely have been mortified had the stewards had to rule on Stevens' post-race request for an inquiry.

The head-on replays showed Real Quiet clearly brushing Victory Gallop twice in the final half-furlong, the second time enough to almost certainly result in



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disqualification had Real Quiet finished in front.

A disqualified Triple Crown winner? Not a good story and perhaps Baffert said it best, as he often does, when told that the stewards said they would have DQ'ed Real Quiet: "Maybe it's better we lost."

Real Quiet didn't lose and neither did horse racing. Victory Gallop won because, going a mile and a half on the first Saturday in June, he was the best horse, if just by inches. It can only be hoped that these two, after a respite, will meet again in the Haskell or Travers, and that they will face the Silver Charms, Skip Aways and Gentlemen of the world later this year.

For Baffert, who saw Silver Charm fail to complete the Triple Crown only last year, this was *deja vu*, but the silver haired stand-up comic who doubles as a horse trainer will surely be back. Always on stage, he quipped after the Belmont, "I've got to bring more expensive horses to this thing."

For Mike Pegram, the disappointment might be great, but he won two legs of the Triple Crown and made a serious dent in the nation's beer supply over the last five weeks.

Victory Gallop was an expensive horse for his present owners, Texans Art, Jack

Victory Gallop (outside) snares Real Quiet by the narrowest of margins.

Value of Race: \$1,000,000 Winner \$500,000; second \$200,000; third \$100,000; fourth \$60,000; fifth \$30,000. Mutuel Pool \$10,676,931.00
Exacta Pool \$6,552,273.00 Trifecta Pool \$6,943,650.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eq	L	A	Wt	PP	1/4	1/2	1	1 1/4	Str	Fin	Jockey	Odds \$1
16May98 10Pim ²	Victory Gallop	L	3	126	9	10 1/2	10 1/2	93	5th	23	1no		Stevens G L	4.50
16May98 10Pim ¹	Real Quiet	Lb	3	126	7	6 1/2	6 1/2	31	1 1/2	14	26		Desormeaux K J	0.80
16May98 5Pim ¹	Thomas Jo	Lb	3	126	1	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2	4 1/2	3rd	31 1/2		McCarron C J	28.50
24May98 8Bel ³	Parade Ground	L	3	126	4	9th	9 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	5th	42 1/2		Day P	20.40
9May98 8Spt ⁴	Raffie's Majesty	L	3	126	8	2nd	5 1/2	6 1/2	64	4 1/2	54		Chavez J F	13.90
22May98 9GS ⁵	Chilito	L	3	126	3	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	2 1/2	68	64		Davis R G	85.75
24May98 8Bel ¹	Grand Slam	L	3	126	11	3rd	2 1/2	2 1/2	36	7 1/2	7nk		Bailey J D	7.20
16May98 10Pim ³	Classic Cat	L	3	126	5	11	11	10 1/2	86	89 1/2			Velazquez J R	10.40
2May98 9Aqu ³	Limit Out	f	3	126	6	4 1/2	3rd	5th	7 1/2	910	91 1/2		Samyn J L	20.90
9May98 8Spt ¹	Yarrow Brae	L	3	126	10	5th	4 1/2	42	9 1/2	10 1/2	1020		Smith M E	32.25
16May98 10Pim ⁸	Basic Trainee	Lf	3	126	2	8 1/2	8th	11	11	11	11		Bravo J	113.25

OFF AT 5:29 Start Good. Won driving. Time, :23 3/4, :48 3/4, 1:13 1/4, 1:37 1/4, 2:02 1/4, 2:29 Track fast.

\$2 Mutuel Prices:
 11-VICTORY GALLOP 11.00 3.60 3.20
 8-REAL QUIET 3.00 2.60
 2-THOMAS JO 5.30

\$2 EXACTA 11-8 PAID \$17.60 \$2 TRIFECTA 11-8-2 PAID \$275.00

B. c. (May), by Cryptoclearance-Victorious Lil, by Vice Regent. Trainer Walden W Elliott. Bred by Tall Oaks Farm (Ont-C).

and—yep, J.R.—Preston, brothers who own Prestonwood Farm in Kentucky, but grew up in the oil business in Texas. If they sound like the Ewings of Dallas fame, a major difference is that they actually get along, and spend their money on Thoroughbreds.

Victory Gallop, who cost them somewhere in the range of \$500,000, was racing in Maryland under the care of trainer Mary Eppler at 2, but was given to the affable young Walden after his purchase fol-

lowing a second in the Laurel Futurity-G3 last fall.

He has now recaptured his purchase price and considerably more, and has proved himself to be a durable and high-quality classic talent.

Yes, this Belmont was a bit disappointing.

It was also unforgettable, and gives the sport, and its new marketing agent, the NTRA, a bully pulpit for the future.

Thanks guys, you were great. ♦

Kent Desormeaux puts disquieting times behind

Former Maryland-based star
finds it's mostly a matter of attitude

by Vinnie Perrone



*We shall not cease from exploration
And the end of all our exploring
Will be to arrive where we started
And know the place for the first time*

—T.S. Eliot

DAYS BEFORE THE 1995 Preakness Stakes, jockey Kent Desormeaux returned to his old empire, Pimlico Race Course, and managed another extraordinary feat.

He played himself out of a mount.

Trainer John Hartsell, a Marylander who once remarked that Desormeaux "looks like Shoemaker on a horse; he looks like poetry," walked the concrete steps of the Pimlico jockeys' room to greet the engaging rider and talk strategy for a race on the Preakness undercard.

"We were old friends and everything, and here I see this guy with this movie-star haircut who just really seemed distracted," said Hartsell, a zealous horseplayer given to southern California simulcasts. "I got to thinkin': I didn't like the way Kent was riding in California, and I wasn't sure how hard he'd try."

So Hartsell gave the mount to Edgar Prado. The switch defied the lingering ethos of Maryland horsemen who for years had sought Desormeaux, above all, to dress their saddles. Such was the effect of three

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and a half years of hard evidence dating from 1986, when the smooth-faced, 16-year-old Desormeaux arrived without notice from Louisiana and turned Pimlico and Laurel into his private playground.

Managed by the folksy Gene Short, Desormeaux quickly stunted the earning potential of each of his counterparts. Jockey Donnie Miller Jr., a Preakness winner and the circuit's accustomed victory leader, said in 1987 that he welcomed a Desormeaux challenge for the spring meet at Pimlico. Desormeaux had 110 victories that season; Miller was second with 37.

Even at 17, Desormeaux bore the cachet of a young Cassius Clay: fluid, potent, fearless at work; quotable, gregarious, playful at ease. He rode with wondrous savvy, studied past performances exhaustively, positioned mounts deftly, switched the whip effortlessly, finished stoutly.

The most requested jockey in Maryland so satisfied the demand. Desormeaux won 450 races and an Eclipse Award as an apprentice in 1987, won 474 races as a journeyman in '88, and a world-record 598 races and a second Eclipse in '89. He had led the nation in victories three straight years, a feat then managed only by Bill Hartack and Pat Day.

"Desormeaux riding in Maryland," trainer John DiNatale said, "is like Orel Hershisser pitching Double A ball."

At 20, Desormeaux hit the big leagues, biting into the august southern California circuit with barely a hiccup. Two years later he won a third Eclipse with a nation-leading \$14 million in race purses. In time, he would become the youngest jockey to ride 3,000 winners; the youngest to earn \$100 million in purses.

It had all come so easily. Too easily. The indifference Hartsell sensed in 1995 proved the leading edge of a cold front for Desormeaux. Within a year, through reckless riding or an indifferent air, he had alienated many of the staunch California stables that had been his foothold.



After his first Kentucky Derby victory, Kent Desormeaux's elation was unbounded.

"He got to believing his own headlines, like happens to a lot of us," said trainer Bob Baffert. "He was thinking it was all him, that it wasn't the horses. Basically, his head wasn't in the right place."

As a teenager, Desormeaux had gone about his work with marked self-confidence and had handled so much winning with grace and humility. But the self-assuredness grew into arrogance, and by the end of 1996 Desormeaux found himself an outcast. He was chastised for paying too much attention to other horses in a race, for failing to ride out mounts, for pulling them up abruptly afterward.

"I might as well have fallen off the face of the earth; I mean, it seemed like it to me," he said. "I reached that point by not going out with the right attitude, by being irresponsible with my rides and the people that I was involved with. Immaturity took over. I would be on the 10-1, and I'd start pressing; I'd try to hinder the chances of the 5-2 chance to help mine, instead of just riding my horse. I didn't need to be headhuntn'. I was headhuntn'."

"What bigger wakeup call than not being on top anymore, you know? What's wrong here? Somethin's got to be wrong. I thought all these times

that I was winning, it was me; I was the man. I didn't realize that it was the owners and trainers that were giving me the opportunity because I was carrying the correct attitude, the desire to win more than anyone else. Well, I had lost that."

Desperate for solutions, Desormeaux fired Short. For ten years they'd been a team, since Short took a trip to little Evangeline Downs in Louisiana to scout a raw apprentice jockey he knew only as Pee Wee. After watching one race, Short exclaimed, "Forget Pee Wee. I want Desormeaux's book." The reply: Desormeaux *is* Pee Wee.

Short remains "a father, a brother and a friend," Desormeaux said, expressive as ever. "No hard feelings at all. I think I did everything I had to do with the situations I was presented. I had to play those cards, that's all. When Gene and I would come around the corner, we were a stale product. It was time to show some desire to do better. I initiated that desire by changing an agent."

Then he worked on his attitude. Hungry for a fresh start, Desormeaux approached Baffert early in 1997 and asked for redemption. "He was very humble," Baffert said. "It was more than giving him constructive criticism; I really got on his case. Basically

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I just told him I didn't have much confidence in his riding, but if he worked hard, I'd give him second call. And you have to ride my way; you have to ride 'em to the end. The next thing you know, he's leading rider."

Amid the resurgence, Desormeaux swung atop the Baffert-trained Real Quiet for the first time last October and directed the colt's maiden victory. His first impression: "Big, long, beautiful galloping stride. . . travels effortlessly fast, and can keep going that way. . . nothing blistering about his speed or a striking turn of foot, just wants to run all day."

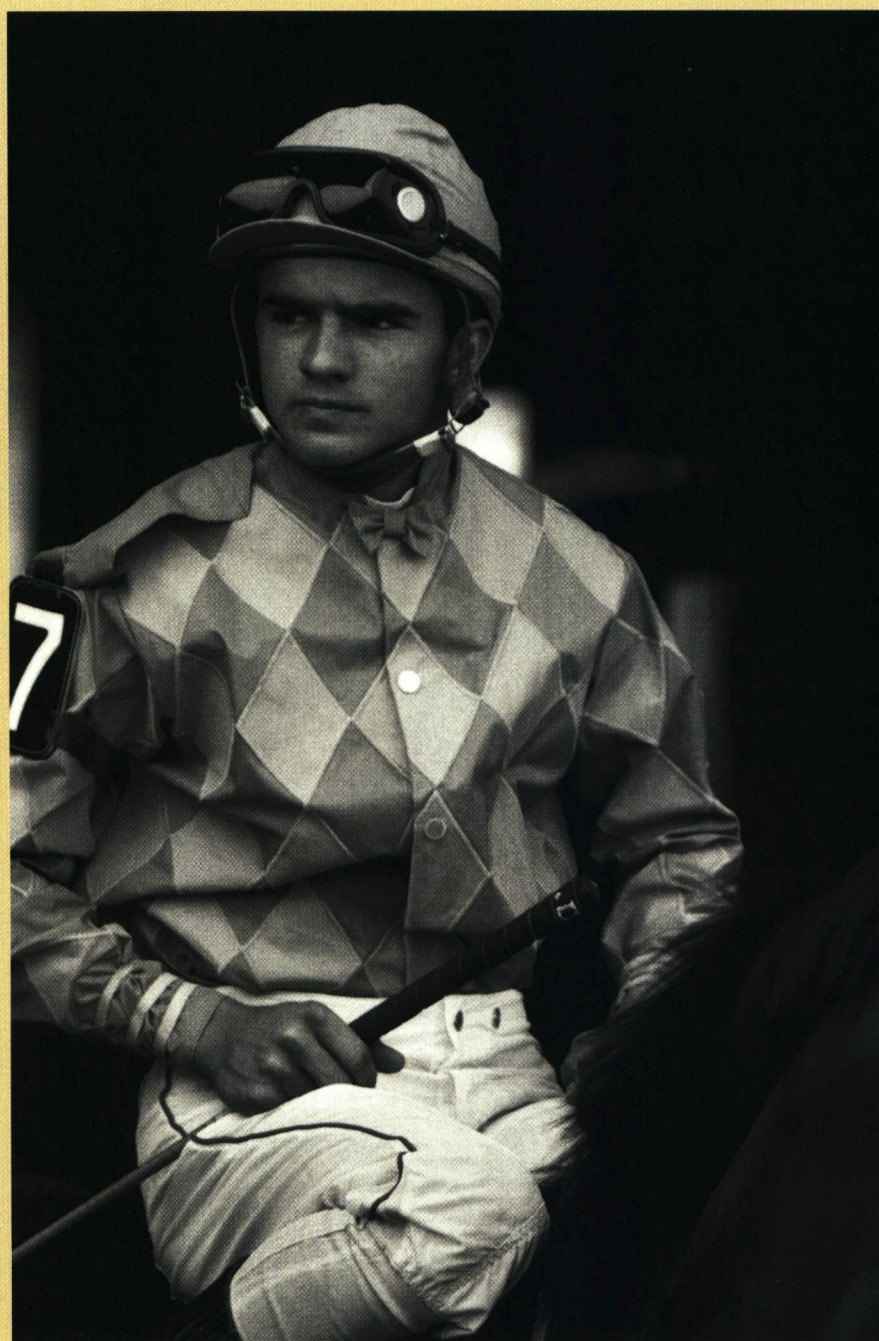
For all his accomplishments, Desormeaux, 28, began this spring without a victory in a Triple Crown race. Real Quiet, a slight-shouldered, \$17,000 acquisition, had a single stakes win and status as the second-best horse in Baffert's loaded stable, next to Indian Charlie.

"If I would have hung my tack on the wall the Friday before the Kentucky Derby," Desormeaux said, "there would have been a huge void, a big empty hole in my career."

On Derby Day, he said, signposts appeared almost eerily. He happened to see an interview with trainer Eddie Gregson, who couldn't recall how he got to the winner's circle following Gato del Sol's 1982 Derby score. "So when I was going around the track in the [post] parade, and on to the starting gate, I tried to force myself to stay conscious of everything," Desormeaux said. "Keep my head on my shoulders. Look around. Don't get caught up in it. That interview, lost in the way, was huge for me."

So were the words of trainer Neil Drysdale, who praised a losing ride by Desormeaux earlier Derby Day, to the jockey's surprise. "I was kicking my own self, and he, like, shanked me over the nose," Desormeaux said. "And it brought the confidence level back up, and it poured out a little bit."

In 1986, when her son had started riding professionally against her wishes, Brenda Desormeaux gave a photo



NEENA EWING

Desormeaux scored with 474 of his mounts in 1988, his first year as a journeyman.

of Kent to a nun and asked her to pray for him. Around the time of the Derby, Brenda learned later, something fell from a book the sister read—Kent's snapshot.

And so it happened. With Real Quiet's wide, hard rally into the Churchill Downs stretch, Desormeaux had no horse left to catch. "When I looked back over my right shoulder—because I could hear the

announcer calling somebody flying on the outside—I took measure on the horse that was coming," he said. "And at that point I knew I was going to win the Kentucky Derby, and I fell into shock. The wire was like a wake-up: 'Hey, buddy, you just won the Derby.' And before I could thrust my fist high into the air, out of joy, I became overwhelmed. It's like, 'Oh my God, what have I done?' I didn't

ask myself to do it; my soul just started searching. I started remembering everybody.”

That included Hondu, the Desormeaux’ Shetland pony of yore who had restored young Kent’s faith in horses after another had bitten an ear and left him fearful. Kent, then 7, would lay a jockey saddle on Hondu and go tearing through the dusty gravel roads of Maurice, La. He wanted to become a basketball player then, or a farmer, displaying his tractor-driving skills by etching a makeshift race track near the rice groves in his huge backyard. Other times, he’d just plunk a saddle on a fencepost, stirrups dangling, and try to balance.

This and so much more danced through his mind in the dazzle that followed the Kentucky Derby. “Before I got to the winner’s circle, I thought of every single person, even the [Bill] Wolfendales that would run three horses a meet, and all three would win; the kind of guy who would only come my way when they weren’t gonna lose. And you know what? Here I am, thinking, ‘Boy, I’m a ridin’ sumbitch.’ Bullshit. These horses are ready; the guy gives me the opportunity.”

Baffert considered Desormeaux’s post-Derby euphoria and said, “It meant so much to him. When he won it, just watching the excitement that he showed, I mean, he didn’t want to get off that horse. I got the biggest kick out of that. It made me feel good inside that I’ve helped this guy and he will always say, ‘I’ll never forget that Derby.’”

Or that Preakness. Desormeaux returned to Pimlico 13 days later and saw the old place in a new light. “It’s definitely a great feeling,” he said upon arriving. “Everyone here was so, so nice to me; nice is too soft of a word. They put me on a throne here, and I owe them so much gratitude, and I don’t know how else to graciously thank them other than to come back with a Kentucky Derby



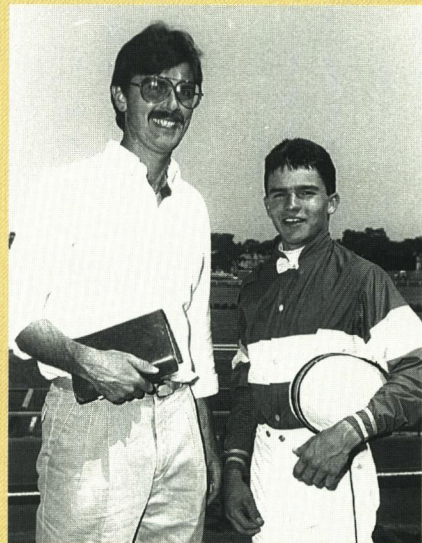
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“This one was for you, Maryland!” said Desormeaux in a post-Preakness press conference. But notably absent from the scene was the prodigal son’s longtime agent/father figure Gene Short (below), whom Desormeaux fired two years ago in a desperate—and some say misguided—effort to turn his career around.

trophy. I think it’s a perfect thank you.”

Risking over-appreciativeness, Desormeaux took Real Quiet on another confident, roundabout spin in the Preakness and again beat the pressing Victory Gallop to the wire. With that, Desormeaux threw a grateful fist toward the stands and later amplified on TV. “It’s right here where I gathered my credentials,” he said. “It’s right here where they gave me the paperwork to go to the next level. All the wins that I’ve created, they all gave me the opportunity to ride horses like Real Quiet. And I just want to thank you, Maryland. You put me there.”

In the months preceding the Triple Crown, horseplaying trainer John Hartsell had followed the California simulcasts and saw a revitalized Desormeaux conjuring all the horse-riding magic of younger days. “When he really wants to do it, he makes horses run faster than they can run,” Hartsell said. “This time around, I couldn’t wait to get him on a horse.”



DOUBLE J PHOTO

The day before the Preakness, Hartsell greeted Desormeaux in the Pimlico paddock, boosted him atop the claiming filly Susan Do Good and joined him afterward in the winner’s circle.

“He’s getting off the scale, and he’s thanking us for putting him on this horse,” Hartsell said. “Can you believe that? *He* thanked *us*.” ♦

Trainer Michael Dickinson unveils new facility in Md.

Tapeta Farm in Cecil County features "revolutionary" track surface

Story by Joe Clancy Jr.
Photographs by Harbour Photo Studio

SOUTHERN CECIL COUNTY, MARYLAND, HAS BEEN RACE HORSE country for many years, thanks to farms such as Windfields, Woodstock, Northview, Muirfield East and Sycamore Hall. If British-born trainer Michael Dickinson has his way, Tapeta Farm will soon hold a place on that elite list.

Located due west (across the Elk River) from the Chesapeake City area renowned for those other Thoroughbred establishments, Tapeta Farm came to be after ten years of effort, and completes Dickinson's dream of having a private training retreat at which to practice his craft. Champion steeplechase trainer three times in England (and a successful jump rider before that), Dickinson came to the U.S. eight years ago and quickly built a reputation for quality on the flat. Da Hoss secured Dickinson's place on racing's top shelf with a win in the 1996 Breeders' Cup Mile-G1 at Woodbine.

The new digs, home to the 40-horse stable since April 1, complete the arrival.

"It's been a lot of work and a lot of cost, but the payoff is a better way of life," said Dickinson, who is assisted by his longtime partner Joan Wakefield. "Race tracks and trainers at race tracks do a great job, but I

want more. I want to make my own luck and control my own things."

Dickinson, 48, often talks in examples and used the concept of breezing a horse to display his reason for building the farm. "You want to breeze on a freshly harrowed track, don't you?" he said. "That means waiting until after the [harrowing break] and it's not like you're alone in your thinking. It can be like Times Square out there. You can get a dead empty track if you start early enough in the morning, but it's dark isn't it? As a trainer, I can't tell an owner, 'Well, I couldn't see very well but I think he went just fine' when they ask how the horse worked."

At Tapeta, carved out of 200 acres of former cropland south of the bucolic town of North East, there are no such problems. The place could have dropped out of Europe—The Curragh, Chantilly, Lambourn. Compared to most U.S. race tracks, Tapeta is Club Med.

The training facilities include a seven-furlong gallop made of Dickinson's patented Tapeta mixture (see sidebar), three turf gallops, an exercise machine imported from England and miles of potential trails and open fields.

Side-by-side along the farm's main driveway, the turf gallops look like a Lawn Doctor experiment gone awry. One is dark green (regular weather), another a shade lighter (wet), the third lightest of all (drought). The turf gallops are between six furlongs and a mile in length, the last half of each a gradual incline after making a sweeping right turn.

Planted in the spring of 1997 using various grasses and soils on top of specialized drainage systems, the gallops will mature gradually and become an important part of the training effort. An irrigation system is in the works.

"The turf gives us variety and a different place we can breeze horses," Dickinson said. "We'd like to lose our 'grass-trainer' tag, but these are good training areas for any horse."

A custom-built 40-stall barn forms the centerpiece, sprawling out from a central tackroom-offices-storage area with identical 20-stall wings.

Each stall features an open front covered by a wire screen much like



the stalls at Fair Hill Training Center, the Dickinson stable's former home. Personal touches like lookout windows (with a three-foot overhang) in the back of each stall, front lookout areas to the side of each stall door, skylights in the ceiling, four wash stalls and a wide center aisle make for a quality home for quality horses the likes of Da Hoss (stall 2).

Dickinson designed the barn with 20 "friendship" stalls, where horses can see one another, and 20 closed stalls for those who want or need a little more privacy. The ceiling and roof are heavily insulated. Details like an electrical outlet at each stall and handy water spigots, the better to operate portable massagers and other gadgets, dot the barn.

"The barn is set up right, and easy to work in," said John Livesey, a Dickinson assistant. "Michael did his homework and our horses seem to like it."

Dickinson searched for years to find the right land for his farm, inves-



Tapeta training track passes through a small wooded area. "Horses enjoy being surrounded by trees," says Michael Dickinson. "It relaxes them." The 40-stall barn, constructed by Amish craftsmen, was designed by Dickinson to include such features as lookout windows (covered by a three-foot overhang) in every stall.

tigating land in Maryland and Pennsylvania. Ideally, he would rather be farther north (halfway between Belmont and Laurel race tracks) but opted for this site based on land costs and characteristics. The operation will still have to move south for January and February, Tapeta's only weakness according to Dickinson.

"We must have looked at 50 places," said Wakefield. "There were a couple before this one that almost worked, but Michael studied every-

thing—the weather, the gradients, the lengths. He's very fussy."

Dickinson plans to translate that fussiness into success, using the farm as a magnet for better horses and new owners. Expense came with the creation of the farm, the land alone cost just under \$650,000 (according to county record), but the possibilities far outweigh the price tag.

"People may ask, 'Why has he gone to so much trouble?'" Dickinson admitted. "The most important

ingredients for success are good horses and good horsemanship, and I don't think [the farm] is going to make the horses we have any better."

It does, in Dickinson's opinion, improve their ability to perform. And gives him great freedom to practice his particular type of horsemanship. "Our success will be more relative a year from now, because there are some horses who will be helped a great deal by the track and the turf gallops," he said. "We have room for

Dickinson's patented Tapeta track surface comes with the trainer's personal guarantee

by Joe Clancy Jr.

Michael Dickinson looks something like a sixth-grade science teacher. In front of him stand two dishpans full of material. On his left, dirt from a traditional race track. On his right, his creation Tapeta. He pours water into each sample, and his amazed pupils let out a collective "oooh."

Tapeta, Latin for carpet, has eight ingredients, including sand (53 percent) and rubber (5 percent). Only Dickinson knows the other 42 percent—and he's not telling.

Harboring a "passion for surfaces" since his days with famed European trainer Vincent O'Brien in Ireland, Dickinson spent four years developing Tapeta. Fifty-two tests—including a 19-hour marathon session last September that yielded nothing but a huge pile quickly dubbed "Michael's Mistake"—led to the final formula.

The fine, light-brown surface is bouncy and produces a muffled "thump-thump" sound as horses breeze on it. Barely a footprint remains after the horses have left.

Patented by Dickinson, the track surface is just four inches deep and sits on top of a synthetic felt-like sheet that allows water to pass through but keeps the Tapeta in place.

In Dickinson's water experiments, the Tapeta drained all but immediately



and was left virtually dry. The dirt predictably turned to goo.

Safety, for horses, dominated Dickinson's thinking in creating his invention. "Ask any trainer, 'What's the worst part of your job?'" Dickinson asks rhetorically. "Injuries," he answers, after pausing for effect.

"I always feel somewhat responsible and I asked, 'What can we do to prevent this from happening?' and I thought of the surfaces we train over," he said.

"There is a better way and I'm trying to do everything I can so I can say I tried my best for my horse." Dickinson even offers a limited guarantee. He will pay the surgery costs if a horse sustains a bone chip or fracture while in his care.

Dickinson's track is designed to help reduce injuries by remaining consistent and providing adequate cushion. The track's layout may be as important as the surface. Starting in a small wooded area, the track crosses a small bridge, goes uphill and downhill, features right and left turns and does not connect. It ends with a three-furlong uphill section, is wide enough for just two horses to gallop abreast and does not include inside or outside rails.

Dickinson aims to build the horse's cardiovascular system by making him work hard while protecting his physical system by slowing him down.

"The track is an important part of the breakdown equation—it's not just the breed," Dickinson said. "[Dirt] is a flawed surface. If it's too firm, horses get front-end injuries and if it's too soft, they get hind-end injuries and other problems.

"I'm not trying to be critical of race track owners," he continued. "There's no surface that could put up with training all morning and racing all day. I don't know how [Tapeta] would react to that kind of use."

Dickinson expects Tapeta to give his horses a significant edge. "If two horses in the same race are exactly the same ability," he said, "and I show up with a sound horse and the other guy's horse has aches and pains, I'm going to win, aren't I?" ♦

40 horses and I want to be sure I have 40 good ones."

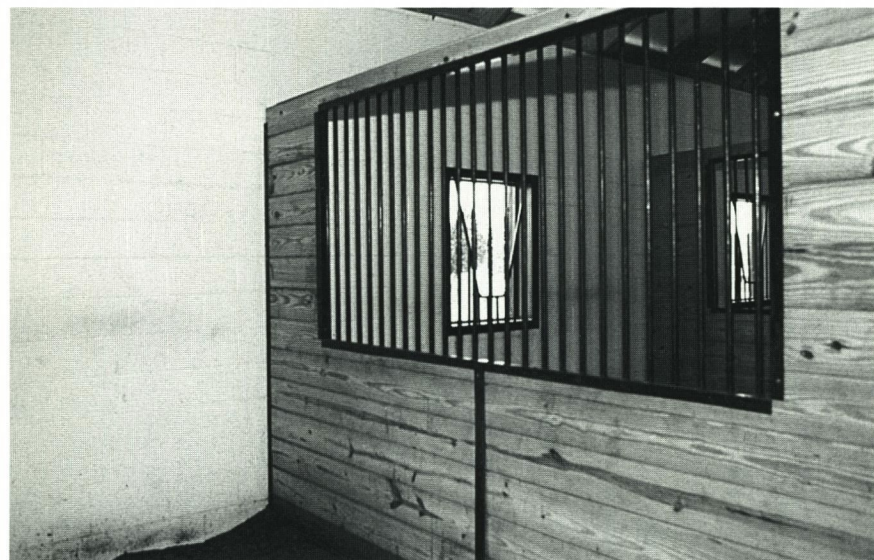
The strategy has paid off already. Nationally prominent owner Jim McIngvale recently sent several horses from his far-flung stable (Dickinson had his pick of 20 McIngvale 2-year-olds and chose ten) and several other owners "were impressed by what they saw," Dickinson said.

"The big reason was the pastoral nature of that place and that incredible track he has," said McIngvale, who has about 50 horses in training. "It's all supposed to be easier on the animals and I'm spending so much on them that it does me no good to see them break an ankle or something."

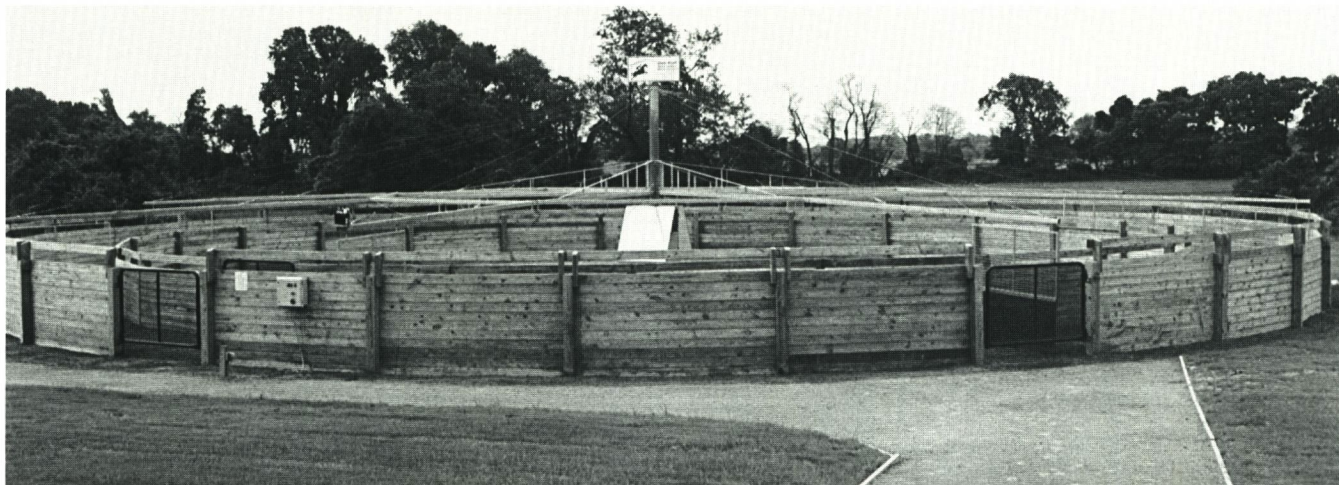
McIngvale, whose stable is based mainly in Kentucky, also liked Dickinson's race track options (easy shipping distance to Maryland, Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey and New York). But he based the ultimate decision to send the horses on several "good horseman" recommendations about Dickinson. The 2-year-olds should be ready to run by summer.

"We'll see when they start crossing the finish line," said the owner, who expects results. "He obviously spent a lot of money on the place and I hope he gets his investment back on all my ten percents."

Just the way Dickinson dreamed it. ♦



Wide center aisle and wire mesh screens help produce an open, airy feeling within the barn. Friendship walls, like that shown above, are used in only half of the stalls; the rest have solid partitions. Exercise machine (below) is imported from England. Horses move freely within eight compartments as it revolves; the machine's speed can be varied.



Numbers surge upward at Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Two-Year-Olds in Training sale

Jolie's Halo filly sells for \$360,000;
13 horses bring \$100,000 or more

Photographs by Barrie Reightler

PRICES THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN UNTHINKABLE ONLY TWO YEARS AGO began to seem almost routine at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Two-Year-Olds in Training sale that took place May 18 and 19 at Timonium.

- ♦ A \$360,000 sales topper
- ♦ Thirteen head sold for \$100,000 or more
- ♦ A 52 percent increase in gross and 19 percent rise in average over 1997 figures

These were just some of the highlights of the two-day auction, in which 317 juveniles brought a grand total of \$9,602,600. The overall average was \$30,292.

Selling for \$360,000—and gaining distinction as the highest-priced horse ever sold at a Timonium auction—was a filly by Jolie's Halo—Italian Princess, by Bold Bidder, consigned by James Layden, agent. The sales-topper, named Jolie's Princess, broke the record that had stood since 1967 when the broodmare Berlo went on a \$235,000 bid at the William duPont Jr. dispersal.

Remarkably, the top three prices at this year's 2-year-old sale were all record-

ed by fillies, and the entire trio was purchased by New York-based agent Joseph Brocklebank. Brocklebank's purchases (a total of four, for \$765,000), made him the sale's leading buyer by gross.

The top consignor by gross was Florida agent Nick de Meric, who sold 23 for a total of \$841,500. Layden, an agent based in South Carolina, topped all consignors by average, selling five for an average of \$102,000.

"Success begets success," said Fasig-Tipton Midlantic executive vice-president Mason Grasty, in reference to the dramatic expansion seen at Timonium auctions over the past few years. "We seldom have a horse in the upper range who doesn't bring as much [at Timonium] as

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James Layden, agent in the sale of the \$360,000 filly Jolie's Princess: "The sale was right strong for a decent horse. They brought what they were worth. I wasn't expecting [Jolie's Princess] to bring quite that much. I was expecting about \$200,000. But I felt like she was the best individual in the sale, and that helped a lot. There was a lot of competition for her."

Left: Agent James Layden (in cap) accepts congratulations from his client Ted Hoover, seller of the sales-topper.



Jolie's Princess was "everything you expect them to be," said agent Joe Brocklebank after buying the filly on a \$360,000 bid.

the consignor would get anywhere, and usually they bring more here."

It all comes down to consignor confidence, and the fact that Timonium has become not only a strong regional mar-

ketplace, but a national one as well, said Grasty.

"Timonium auctions are selling to the whole of the United States," said Fasig-Tipton's chief operating officer Boyd

Browning. "We're seeing more and more buyers from major centers such as Florida, Kentucky and California; the word has gotten out that this is a place to come to get a good race horse." ♦

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Wesley Ward, California-based trainer, was making his first buying trip to Timonium. He purchased the 2-year-old with the fastest quarter-mile work (:21 $\frac{3}{4}$)—a colt by Aloha Prospector out of the Carnivalay mare Carni Gal—for \$125,000: "It was a great sale for buyers. I was very happy with what I bought. I had bought and sold some horses earlier in the year, and I had some money to spend. This was the last 2-year-old sale of the season, so I thought I'd take a chance and come here. Will I be back? I sure will."



Two-year-olds

Monday, May 18

157 sold; \$4,477,100 gross; \$28,517 average; 49 not sold.

- 1—ch.f. Strike the Gold—Eidercrown; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$9,000.
- 2—ch.f. El Prado (Ire)—Eleni; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$5,000.
- 3—ch.f. Black Tie Affair (Ire)—Elis Cheesecake; DSB Stable; \$22,000; Not sold.
- 4—dk.b./br.f. Time for a Change—Eloperment; Abracadabra Farms, agt.; Out.
- 5—dk.b./br.c. Mercedes Won—End User; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; \$14,000; Not sold.
- 6—Proud Peace, ch.c. Proud Truth—Escapess; Birkdale Farm, Jimmy Miranda, agt.; Timothy Wickes, agt.; \$14,000.
- 7—b.c. Secret Hello—Eskimo Magic; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Edward F. Dejoy Jr.; \$5,500.
- 8—Truth Is Beauty, ch.f. Pick Up the Phone—Ever Truthful; Tara Stables, agt.; \$11,000; Not sold.
- 9—Flag, dk.b./br.f. American Standard—Expressed Contract; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Gerrit J. Schipper; \$10,000.
- 10—Nandee, b.f. Glitterman—Exuberant Melody; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; Kathleen Tamberino; \$21,000.
- 11—Lies Be Gone, dk.b./br.f. Tricky Creek—Eyes Be Gone; Stephen M. Casey, agt.; Richard A. Monroe; \$7,000.
- 12—dk.b./br.f. Mining—Facts Of Love; Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; Out.
- 13—Rainstick, gr./ro.c. Groomstick—Fair and Appealing; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; William D. Anderson; \$17,000.
- 14—dk.b./br.f. Imperial Falcon—Fair Tania; Winner's Choice Farm, agt.; \$7,500; Not sold.
- 15—Serge, b.c. Verge—Family Facts; Sally Thomas, agt.; \$17,000; Not sold.
- 16—Tribal Queen, b.f. Cherokee Colony—Farce; Woodside Ranch, agt.; David Seplor; \$50,000.
- 17—Greyhound, gr./ro.g. Silver Deputy—Farest Play; Chanceland Farm, agt.; Out.
- 18—Miss Judge, dk.b./br.f. Judge Smells—Fast Study; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; Out.
- 19—b.f. Manzotti—Fire Break; DSB Stable; \$12,500; Not sold.
- 20—b.f. Williamstown—Five Gold Stars; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; Dale Romans; \$37,000.
- 21—P.C. Star, dk.b./br.f. Press Card—Five Red Stars; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$22,000; Not sold.
- 22—Flaming Goldwater, b.c. Goldwater—Flaming Appeal; Daybreak Farm; \$7,500; Not sold.
- 23—ch.c. Ends Well—Fleeting Chance; James Layden, agt.; Sackatoga Stable; \$50,000.
- 24—dk.b./br.c. Septieme Ciel—Affordable Price; Nick de Meric, agt.; Out.
- 25—b.c. American Standard—Flounce; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
- 26—b.f. Pentelicus—Flower Bottle; G.K. Whalen, Jag Bloodstock, agt.; \$35,000; Not sold.
- 27—Qtqi, gr./ro.f. Deputed Testimony—Flyaway Gull; Penelope Pugh (Paradise Park), Nick de Meric, agt.; Mark Fusco; \$11,000.
- 28—ch.c. Peteski—Fly Love; Nick de Meric, agt.; Susan Duncan; \$13,000.
- 29—Speed to Me, ch.c. Chief Honcho—Isa-thriller; Eddie Woods, agt.; Scott Carlson; \$4,500.
- 30—Devil's Judge, b.g. Devil's Bag—For Femme; Nick de Meric, agt.; Wesley Ward; \$27,000.
- 31—b.f. John Alden—Fortunatetestimony; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Jack and John Ferguson; \$6,500.
- 32—Tenfour, dk.b./br.c. Personal Flag—Forty Romances; Racehorse Consignment, agt.; Vincent Blengs, agt.; \$22,000.
- 33—b.c. With Approval—Fotofanatic; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Janis L. Gerace; \$30,000.
- 34—Brass Off, dk.b./br.g. Marine Brass—Foxwood Song; Julia F. Wright, Litz

- Bloodstock Services, agt.; Christine F. Clagett; \$8,500.
- 35—b.f. Stuka—Francie's Dream; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Robert Susi; \$26,500.
- 36—dk.b./br.c. Thorn Dance—French Steal; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; Tim Muckler; \$17,000.
- 37—gr./ro.c. Two Punch—Frivolous; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Bonnie Simon and Thomas Sutton; \$60,000.
- 38—Answer Dancer, b.f. Gate Dancer—Future Question; McKathan Bros., agt.; Out.
- 39—dk.b./br.c. Strolling Along—Gala Goldilocks; Chanceland Farm, agt.; Joseph Brocklebank; \$31,000.
- 40—gr./ro.f. Citidancer—Gala Runaway; Woodside Ranch, agt.; Country Life Farm, agt.; \$20,000.
- 41—Unreal Sheldon, dk.b./br.f. Unreal Zeal—Gee; Allied Bloodstock, K.E.O. Bloodstock, agt.; Eugenio Abbruzzese; \$2,200.
- 42—b.f. Leo Castelli—Genra; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; \$5,500; Not sold.
- 43—Go Formal, b.c. Formal Dinner—Get Go; Marty and Carol Hershe; \$19,500; Not sold.
- 44—b.c. Phone Trick—Golden Hen; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Cam Allard; \$28,000.
- 45—dk.b./br.c. Distinctive Pro—Golden Highlights (Ire); Frank Wooten Stables, agt.; Bruce Golden; \$35,000.
- 46—Cherokee d'Or, b.g. Cherokee Colony—Golden Lolly; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
- 47—Lake Lure, dk.b./br.f. Salt Lake—Golden Lure; Nick de Meric, agt.; Richard O'Connell; \$70,000.
- 48—dk.b./br.f. Well Decorated—Golden Pieta; Diamond S Farm; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$35,000.
- 49—b.f. Green Dancer—Golden Start; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
- 50—Clever Papoose, gr./ro.f. Clever Secret—Goldie's Papoose; Ed Krishack; Out.
- 51—Papa's Alexa, b.f. Twilight Agenda—Gold Line Miss; Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; \$8,500; Not sold.

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Nick de Meric, Florida-based agent, was top consignor by gross, selling 23 for a total of \$841,500: "This sale, to me, was probably as dynamic and with as much pizzazz at all levels as any sale I went to this year. There was a buyer for every horse, if that horse was appraised correctly. It was a good, aggressive sale, with a broad-based catalogue and superior quality at the top end, which attracted some buyers that this sale had lacked in the past. I was very happy with my results."

John Muth, manager of Ted Taylor's Spendthrift Farm in Kentucky. Bought five for a total of \$150,000: "We're working toward a resurgence for Spendthrift. Right now we have 12 2-year-olds in training, and the Maryland sales are definitely part of our game plan. We were really happy with the stock we bought there, and believe we got a pretty fair shake on the prices."

Sold! for \$360,000

Credit the cell phone for at least some of the current auction sales prosperity. No one knows how many bids have been raised as a result of the fact that most agents now communicate directly with clients while the sale is going on. But it certainly appears to have been a major factor in the new Timonium auction record.

Agent Joe Brocklebank was on the line with client Stuart Subotnick from the time that Jolie's Princess entered the sales ring. "Our plan was to go to \$150,000 or \$175,000 for her," said Brocklebank. "But when the bidding passed that level, Mr. Subotnick told me to keep going." And going. All the way up to \$360,000.

"Hopefully, she will justify the money," said Brocklebank of the filly, who immediately joined trainer Todd Pletcher's stable at Saratoga. "I felt she was something really special. Her conformation and her action were exquisite. She worked like a house afire (in 1:21%). When you see one like her, a light goes on. She was everything you expect them to be."

Jolie's Princess, sold as hip number 97, was part of a five-horse consignment brought to Timonium by James Layden, who owns and operates a training center in Ehrhardt, S.C. Layden purchased Jolie's Princess for \$50,000 at the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's August yearling auction

on behalf of client Ted Hoover, the owner of a construction company in Columbia, S.C. Layden and Hoover attempted to sell the filly at the Calder 2-year-olds in training sale last February, but ended up buying her back for \$69,000.

A Florida-bred, Jolie's Princess is a half-sister to stakes winner Hustle Your Bustle (\$203,615), and a granddaughter of Giustizia (Ity), a champion 3-year-old in Italy. ♦



Joseph Brocklebank (above) believes he found good value with the \$360,000 filly purchased on behalf of Stuart Subotnick (Anstu Stable).

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Linda Gaudet, longtime owner, operates large Maryland stable with her husband, trainer Eddie Gaudet. The fifth leading buyer by gross, with six purchases totaling \$222,000: "Over the last six months, we sold a number of horses and lost some in claiming races, so we were there to replenish our stock. The only way to do it is at the sales. We were pleased with the overall quality. In general, the horses you saw looked sound, and not overdone. Some of them breezed too fast. Maryland people are not all that impressed with fast works; they care a lot more about soundness. The nice individuals brought good prices. There's a shortage of horses, and in a situation like this, horses tend to bring what the market will bear." **Right: Eddie and Linda Gaudet**



Top seller from region packs big punch

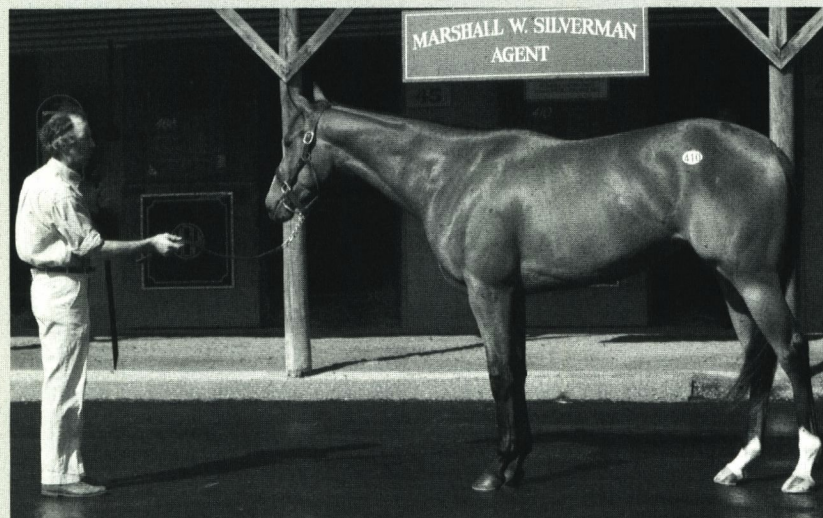
The top-priced Mid-Atlantic-bred, at \$175,000, is a daughter of Two Punch—Air Raid Siren, by Ack Ack, consigned by Marshall Silverman as agent for breeder Wendy Lyons.

The handsome bay filly, whose name Two Punch Christy pays tribute to female boxer Christy Martin, is a full sister to stakes winner Flying Punch (\$259,761).

"Everybody told me I didn't have to worry about her bringing a good price," said Lyons. Her homebred

worked in :10 1/4 before becoming the third-highest priced offering in the sale on the bid by agent Joe Brocklebank. "But I was still about as nervous as you can get," Lyons added. The filly went into the sales ring with a \$90,000 reserve.

Lyons keeps only two broodmares at her farm near Westminster, Md. One of them is 13-year-old Air Raid Siren, whom Lyons claimed off the race track for \$5,000. Air Raid Siren has a Numerous colt at her side and is in foal for 1999 to Allen's Prospect.



The \$175,000 final bid for her Two Punch—Air Raid Siren filly delighted breeder/owner Wendy Lyons, shown at right above with Ginger Silverman.

- 52—dk.b./br.f. Private Terms—Gold of Autumn; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$43,000; Not sold.
- 53—b.f. Salt Lake—Gold Premieress; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Candyland Farm; \$70,000.
- 54—Prospect Heights, dk.b./br.c. Allen's Prospect—Golon Heights; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; \$67,000; Not sold.
- 55—Smart Georgett, dk.b./br.f. Smarten—Gorgissima; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Castrenze Sr., Winner's Choice Farm, agt.; Out.
- 56—dk.b./br.c. Tejano—Go South; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; \$7,000; Not sold.
- 57—gr./ro.f. Fit to Fight—Gottagetitdone; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$32,000; Not sold.
- 58—b.f. Carnivalay—Grace Creek; M & H Training and Sales; Buzz Chace, agt.; \$42,000.
- 59—Laude, b.c. Pentelicus—Grand Marais; Harry L. Landry Bloodstock, LLC, agt.; H. James Bond; \$55,000.
- 60—dk.b./br.f. Mercedes Won—Grand Reason; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Out.
- 61—b.f. Smarten—Great Anna S.; Cool Hill Farm; Edith Baxter; \$15,000.
- 62—b.c. Leo Castelli—Great Light; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; James Walborn; \$6,500.
- 63—dk.b./br.c. River Special—Greta's Galaxy; Meredith Manor (Bill Pomposelli), agt.; Out.
- 64—ch.c. Thorn Dance—Grey Skelly; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; David Walters; \$15,000.
- 65—Watrals Hon Powell, ch.f. Novel Nashua—Grittle; Lucia Carroll, agt.; Michael Leaf; \$5,000.
- 66—b.f. Private Terms—Hail Jenny; Chance-land Farm, agt.; Don Ogden; \$36,000.
- 67—Jovial Kitten, gr./ro.f. Jovial Turn—Halo Kit; Nick de Meric, agt.; William Bloom; \$33,000.
- 68—ch.c. Future Storm—Halo of Gold; Daybreak Farm; \$15,000; Not sold.
- 69—b.f. Hansel—Halo's Gleam; Valley View Farm (Walter Burke), agt.; John Brocklebank; \$105,000.
- 70—Tropical Runner, b.f. Blue Ensign—Hand Glidder; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Out.
- 71—Indoor Games, dk.b./br.c. Believe It—Harvest Moon; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; Richard O'Connell; \$17,000.
- 72—Matinee Delight, b.f. Take Me Out—Hasty Hildene; Buckingham Springs Stable; Mike Enck; \$6,100.
- 73—Sweetbriar Road, ch.f. Quadratic—Hasty's Last Lady; Buckingham Springs Stable; Troy Director; \$1,600.
- 74—b.c. Homebuilder—Heartfelt Moment; Meredith Manor (Bill Pomposelli), agt.; Out.
- 75—Alydude, b.c. Alydeed—Hearts Content; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; Candyland Farm; \$50,000.
- 76—Lacey Mane, b.f. Mane Minister—Heavenly Ade; Nick de Meric, agt.; Louis Ross, agt.; \$7,500.
- 77—ch.f. Ends Well—Held Over; Louise McLean, agt.; David Walters; \$11,000.

- 78—Irish Sixer, b.g. Saratoga Six—Helen Hai; Nick de Meric, agt.; Richard O'Connell; \$24,000.
- 79—Pete's Boy Wonder, dk.b./br.c. Senior Speedy—Helen's Pick; John F. Jones Jr. and Marshall Lippert, Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; \$11,000; Not sold.
- 80—ch.f. Dispersal—Hey Heywhataboutme; Lynne Martin, agt.; Out.
- 81—Cyclone Cat, dk.b./br.c. Storm Cat—Highland Crystal; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; Marathon Farms; \$100,000.
- 82—Starship Hoopty, dk.b./br.c. Star of the Crop—Hold the Hula; Robert Hayes and Dean Spencer; Kenneth P. Taylor Sr.; \$5,000.
- 83—b.c. Salt Lake—Hollywood Empress; Sequel Bloodstock Inc. (Becky Thomas), agt.; Out.
- 84—Marine, b.c. Double Negative—Hostile Fleet; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; Richard O'Connell; \$30,000.
- 85—Fast Search, b.c. Regal Search—Hurry Loretta; M & H Training and Sales; Out.
- 86—Eyebecold, dk.b./br.c. The Wicked North—I. B. Forty; Nick de Meric, agt.; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$25,000.
- 87—ch.c. Cure the Blues—I'll Be Darn; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$20,000; Not sold.
- 88—Questionable Fun, b.c. Dr. Adagio—I'm Fun; Racehorse Consignment, agt.; William D. Anderson; \$24,000.
- 89—Sweep Clean, b.f. End Sweep—Impish Polly; Marty and Carol Hershe; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$30,000.
- 90—In Case of Fire, b.c. Buckaroo—In Caricature; Marty and Carol Hershe; Richard O'Connell; \$35,000.
- 91—b.c. Runaway Groom—Cool Chase; Nick de Meric, agt.; Out.
- 92—Woods Verse, ch.c. Opening Verse—In to the Woods; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$25,000.
- 93—dk.b./br.f. Technology—Irish Action; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$14,000.
- 94—b.f. Gilded Time—Irish Brick; H.H. Equine, agt.; Richard O'Connell; \$50,000.
- 95—El Monarch, dk.b./br.c. Wavering Monarch—Irish Tizzy; Tara Stables, agt.; Dr. Ruben Vallejo; \$10,000.
- 96—Crusader's Belle, b.f. Crusader Sword—Isabelle D.; Abracadabra Farms, agt.; Out.
- 97—Jolie's Princess, b.f. Jolie's Halo—Italian Princess; James Layden, agt.; Joseph Brocklebank, agt.; \$360,000.
- 98—Singtomelou, b.c. Stop the Music—Ivor's Ballet; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; \$8,000; Not sold.
- 99—gr./ro.f. Festin (Arg)—Jamie Crystal; Stephen M. Casey, agt.; Out.
- 100—Jan Dear, b.f. Deerhound—Jan Two; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$20,000.
- 101—Polish Dancing, b.c. Polish Numbers—Jeanne's Dance; Kris Nic Farm, agt.; Out.
- 102—dk.b./br.f. Goldwater—Jiving; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$30,000.

- 103—ch.g. Seattle Sleet—Johnnyette; Dean F. Crane; Out.
- 104—b.c. Williamstown—Jolivar; Meredith Manor (Bill Pomposelli), agt.; Morton & Roberta Goldstein; \$30,000.
- 105—dk.b./br.f. Stalwart—Joy Returned; Quality Thoroughbreds, McKathan Bros., agt.; Out.
- 106—Alarming Ruckus, gr./ro.c. Darn That Alarm—Julie's Ruckus; R.G. Smith, agt.; Out.
- 107—Scanlan, dk.b./br.f. Sunny Clime—Just-aroundmidnite; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; J.R. Rastetter; \$3,000.
- 108—Buckshot Jones, b.g. Horatius—Kant Kick; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; \$7,500; Not sold.
- 109—Chunga, gr./ro.c. Scarlet Ibis—K. C.'s Highlandia; Ontrack Thoroughbred Training Center, agt.; Out.
- 110—b.f. Lac Ouimet—Kentucky Blue (Den); Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Joseph Cicci-maro; \$16,500.
- 111—ch.g. Just Like Jo—Kiss Who; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Janis L. Gerace; \$20,000.
- 112—gr./ro.c. Eastern Echo—Kitty Tatch; Birkdale Farm, Jimmy Miranda, agt.; Richard O'Connell; \$17,000.
- 113—Bellwether, dk.b./br.c. Buckaroo—Kris Is Sufficient; Four Horsemen's Ranch, Sally Thomas, agt.; Out.
- 114—dk.b./br.g. Ramplett—La Barbara (GB); Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; Out.
- 115—Crossing First, b.c. Valley Crossing—Ladies First; Tara Stables, agt.; Ronald B. Houghton, agt.; \$19,000.
- 116—Guilty Gal, ch.f. Skip Trial—Ladies Lunch; Aimee D. Hall, Chabboquasset Farm, agt.; Out.

How high is high?

This is the third season in a row that the sales-topper has established a new record price for a 2-year-old sold at auction at Timonium. The two previous record-setters were:

1996: \$150,000. Capital Call, dk.b./br.c., Allen's Prospect—Princess Bamm, by Brooklyn Prince (Ire); McKathan Bros., agent; Buzz Chace, agent.

1997: \$230,000. Madam Fireplace, ch.f., Out of Place—Ma Burn, by Big Burn; Hickory Meadow Farm, Clare Silva, agent; Buzz Chace, agent.

- 117—dk.b./br.c. Carnivalay—Lady Beddard; Chanceland Farm, agt.; Craig Nicholson; \$22,000.
- 118—Great Pyrite, b.c. Great Above—Lady Henna; D.W. Frazier, Lynne Martin, agt.; Out.
- 119—Sweetheart Sunrise, dk.b./br.f. Distinctive Pro—Lady Mary Beth; Sequel Bloodstock Inc. (Becky Thomas), agt.; Anthony Merenda; \$15,500.
- 120—b.c. The Prime Minister—Lady of Decorum; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; Orlando Di Rienzo; \$16,000.
- 121—ch.c. Fly So Free—Lady Sheba; Day-break Farm; Out.



Agent Bobby Dodd (above) and his partner Tony Bowling were among the sale's leading consignors, selling seven head for a total of \$417,000 (\$59,571 average).

Top-priced two-year-olds

\$360,000 Jolie's Princess, b.f. Jolie's Halo—Italian Princess; James Layden, agent; Joseph Brocklebank, agent.

\$180,000 b.f. Saint Ballado—Medieval Baird; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agent; Joseph Brocklebank, agent.

\$175,000 Two Punch Christy, b.f. Two Punch—Air Raid Siren; Wendy J. Lyons, Marshall W. Silverman, agent; Joseph Brocklebank, agent.

\$165,000 dk.b./br.c. Two Punch—Chief Appeal; Four Horsemen's Ranch, Sally Thomas, agent; Buzz Chace, agent.

\$140,000 Speculation, ch.c. Allen's Prospect—Stay Up Late; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agent; Greg Rand.

\$125,000 b.c. Aloha Prospector—Carni Gal; M & H Training and Sales, agent; Wesley Ward.

\$115,000 dk.b./br.c. Capote—Looks Sensational; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agent; Wood Box Farm.

\$105,000 b.f. Hansel—Halo's Gleam; Valley View Farm (Walter Burke), agent; John Brocklebank.

\$103,000 gr./ro.c. Two Punch—Dixieland Queen; Nick de Meric, agent; Florence Patitucci.

\$100,000 Cyclone Cat, dk.b./br.c. Storm Cat—Highland Crystal; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agent; Marathon Farms.

\$100,000 Talentina, dk.b./br.f. Local Talent—Sky Meadows; Nick de Meric, agent; Seymour Cohn.

\$100,000 dk.b./br.c. Jolie's Halo—Surprise Special; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agent; Boxwood Farm.

\$100,000 Rakalar, ch.c. West by West—Whatwouldhappenif; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agent; Earle I. Mack.

122—Four Fifty Five, gr./ro.c. Iron Courage—Lady's Reception; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; \$14,000; Not sold.

123—b.f. Diablo—Lady Sundance; The Renaissance; Out.

124—dk.b./br.f. Salt Lake—La Militante (Fr); Chanceland Farm, agt.; Seymour Cohn; \$45,000.

125—Hyatt Road, dk.b./br.f. Allen's Prospect—Launchable; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; Eric J. Wirth; \$30,000.

126—ch.c. Time for a Change—La Voyageuse; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.

127—b.f. Boundary—Leading Rhyme; Silver Oaks Farm (Brenda Jones); Out.

128—b.f. Explodent—Legal Entity; Sharon Biamonte, agt.; Tigertail Ranch; \$11,000.

129—b.c. Farma Way—Lighten Up Already; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.

130—Laura's Reward, ch.f. Academy Award—Likeable Laura; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; David Walters; \$7,700.

131—b.c. Really Awesome—Little Worker; DSB Stable; \$27,000; Not sold.

132—Breathhtaking View, b.c. Country Pine—Lituya Bay; Four Horsemen's Ranch, Sally Thomas, agt.; Out.

133—dk.b./br.c. Capote—Looks Sensational; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; Wood Box Farm; \$115,000.

134—gr./ro.f. Silver Ghost—Louisiana Purchase; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; \$10,000; Not sold.

135—ch.f. Star of the Crop—Love and Stitches; DSB Stable; \$17,000; Not sold.

136—b.f. Glitterman—Lovingyoualways; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; \$7,200; Not sold.

137—b.c. Silver Deputy—Lower Deck; Hart Farm, agt.; Out.

138—Exchequer, ch.c. Vice Regent—Low Mintage; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.

139—b.f. Ends Well—Lucy Dogood; Louise McLean, agt.; Robert Reinacher; \$11,000.

140—Devil's Beauty, b.f. Devil's Bag—Lustrous Miss; Joe Crane, agt.; \$41,000; Not sold.

141—b.c. Quiet American—Lustrous Sparkle; Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; Out.

142—Wildcat Creek, dk.b./br.c. Cure the Blues—Magestic Willowa; Nick de Meric, agt.; Jeffrey Bowen; \$17,000.

143—Maidthebest, dk.b./br.c. Dynaformer—Maid of Honor; Eisaman Equine, agt.; Frank A. Alexander; \$22,000.

144—D' Secret, ch.c. D'Accord—Make Mine Manila; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; David Walters; \$6,500.

145—dk.b./br.c. Mining—Malibu Blue; The Kindergarten, agt.; Out.

146—Black Tie Boogie, gr./ro.f. Black Tie Affair (Ire)—Mama's Boogie; Meredith Manor (Bill Pomposelli), agt.; Silver Rod Stable Inc.; \$41,000.

147—dk.b./br.c. Strolling Along—Mardi Gras Mombo; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; M.L. Fallon, agt.; \$27,000.

148—Valmia, dk.b./br.f. Carnivalay—Martie's Double; Chanceland Farm, agt.; Zelma M. Morrison; \$17,000.

149—ch.f. Excavate—Mary Eby; Triple K Farm, James C. Kirk, agt.; Venture Ltd.; \$43,000.

150—b.f. Mountain Cat—Mary Molloy; Abacadabra Farms, agt.; \$25,000; Not sold.

151—Two Alarm Fire, gr./ro.c. Darn That Alarm—Mary's Double; D.W. Frazier, Lynne Martin, agt.; Cromwell Bloodstock Agency; \$30,000.

152—dk.b./br.c. Goldwater—Match Slipper; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; \$9,500; Not sold.

153—b.f. Saint Ballado—Medieval Baird; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; Joseph Brocklebank, agt.; \$180,000.

154—Loan Officer, dk.b./br.f. Deposit Ticket—Medley of Song; DSB Stable; Brien Combs; \$36,000.

155—b.c. Apalachee—Megan McGuire; The Kindergarten, agt.; \$47,000; Not sold.

156—A Pass for Thepark, ch.f. Deposit Ticket—Melrose Park; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; Out.

157—b.c. Dr. Adagio—Middle Wind; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; \$9,000; Not sold.

158—Katie's Girl, b.f. Distinctive Pro—Mile High Glory; Lucia Carroll, agt.; New Farm; \$62,000.

159—Military War, gr./ro.c. Two Punch—Military Maid; Lawrence D. Regan; Cromwell Bloodstock Agency; \$80,000.

160—Blake's Wild West, ch.c. West by West—Millie and Me; Niall Brennan, agt.; David Walters; \$21,000.

161—Sheltered, dk.b./br.c. Shelter Half—Miss Barbour; Breakin' & Enterin', Lori Bourne, agt.; Ervin Bagwandeen; \$4,500.

162—Cosmic Care, b.g. Lustrous Bid—Miss Care; James Layden, agt.; Hussay Racing Stable, LLC; \$25,000.

163—b.f. Double Negative—Miss Creativity; Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; Susan Duncan; \$16,000.

164—b.c. Alwuhush—Miss Jazz; Murray Smith; Leonard Klinghoffer; \$10,000.

165—Sly Rajab, ch.c. Rajab—Miss Sly; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Out.

166—dk.b./br.c. Technology—Miss Star Quest; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Leonard Klinghoffer; \$15,000.

167—ch.c. Kris S.—Miss Timebank; Abacadabra Farms, agt.; S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agt.; \$60,000.

168—Victorious City, b.c. Citidancer—Miss Victoria (Ire); Nick de Meric, agt.; Country Life Farm, agt.; \$49,000.

169—Valley True, b.c. Valley Crossing—Mistress True; McKathan Farms, agt.; M.L. Fallon; \$7,500.

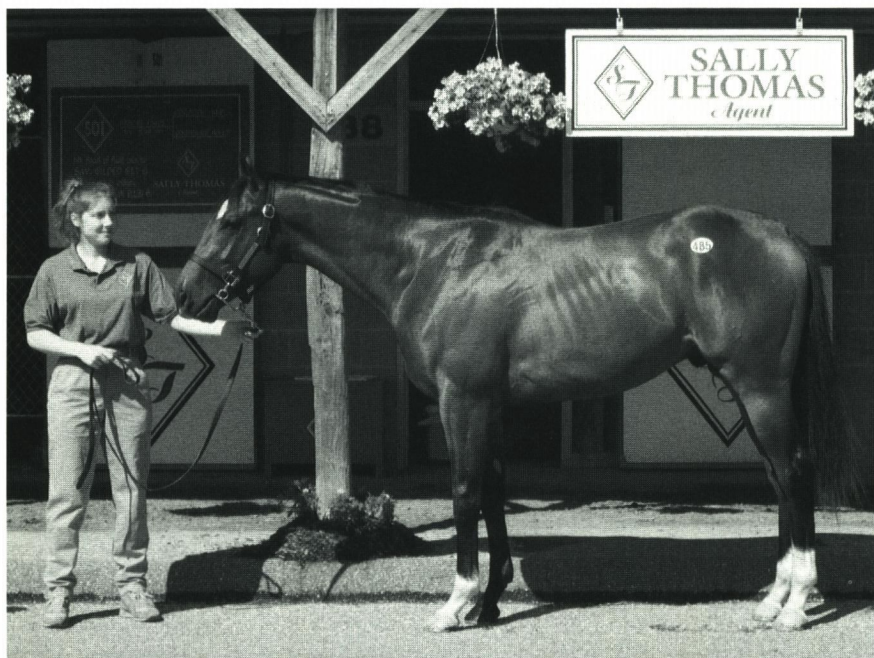
170—Gogo's Express, ch.f. Go and Go (Ire)—Mogambo's Express; Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; Daniel E. Dillow; \$5,000.

171—Moonlit Dinner, dk.b./br.f. Formal Dinner—Moon Over Pyrite; D.W. Frazier, Lynne Martin, agt.; Thomas J. Terry; \$5,500.

172—b.c. Northern Flagship—Most Excellent; DSB Stable; \$25,000; Not sold.

173—Johnny Navy, gr./ro.c. Blue Ensign—Mrs. Kissen Jar; McKathan Farms, agt.; Eugene Todaro; \$21,000.

- 174—dk.b./br.c. Cryptoclearance—Ms. Emily Ann; Daybreak Farm; Jeff Novak; \$13,000.
- 175—Talk the Blues, b.c. Cure the Blues—Mumble Mumble; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; E.L.R. Corp.; \$50,000.
- 176—gr./ro.c. Robyn Dancer—Mumkin; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; Michael J. O'Brien; \$10,500.
- 177—b.c. Wall Street Dancer—Musetta; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; \$5,500; Not sold.
- 178—ch.c. Hansel—Musical Precedent; Meredith Manor (Bill Pomposelli), agt.; Out.
- 179—dk.b./br.c. Formal Dinner—Musical Toy; DSB Stable; \$37,000; Not sold.
- 180—b.f. Rubiano—Mute Swan; McKathan Farms, agt.; Louis Ross, agt.; \$15,000.
- 181—Austin Flyer, ch.c. Star de Naskra—My Banner; Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; Jeffrey Bowen; \$17,000.
- 182—Carnival Lil, b.f. Carnivalay—My Cynara; Whiteford Manor Thoroughbreds, Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; Out.
- 183—Aerodynamic, ch.c. Tactical Advantage—My Diamond Affaire; James Layden, agt.; Out.
- 184—ch.c. Skip Trial—My Gallant Duchess; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; \$22,000; Not sold.
- 185—b.c. Waquoit—Mymet; Birkdale Farm, Jimmy Miranda, agt.; Linda Gaudet; \$12,000.
- 186—Mrs Jigs L, ch.f. Chief Honcho—My Monte; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; Robert D. Rosenthal; \$6,500.
- 187—ch.c. Jeloso—My Only Song; Rock Hill Farm, Darryl L. Boyer, agt.; Out.
- 188—Bellatrice, b.f. Theatre Critic (Ire)—Nabora; Nick de Meric, agt.; Pine Brook Farms; \$4,500.
- 189—Annie Amelia, gr./ro.f. Polish Numbers—Native Summer; Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; Out.
- 190—ch.g. Storm Boot—Need a Raise; Perry Greer, James C. Kirk, agt.; Rick G. Jordan; \$7,500.
- 191—b.f. West by West—New Reference (GB); Diamond S Farm; Linda L. Rice, agt.; \$50,000.
- 192—ch.f. Festive—Nightly Affair; McKathan Farms, agt.; Beth Ann Gambone; \$6,000.
- 193—b.c. Affirmed—Nijmis; Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; Horace M. Parker; \$25,000.
- 194—dk.b./br.c. Sultry Song—Noblescence; Virginia Daub, Cary Frommer, agt.; Out.
- 195—Bunny Love, b.f. Pentelicus—Northern Bundle; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Anthony Correnti; \$7,000.
- 196—All Mine, dk.b./br.f. Mining—Northern Fir; Eddie Woods, agt.; Blue Lake Farm; \$40,000.
- 197—Fornoy, ch.f. Fit to Fight—Northern Jazz; McKee Stables Inc., James C. Kirk, agt.; Uriah St. Lewis; \$8,500.
- 198—Willy's Philly, ch.f. A. M. Swinger—Northern Willy; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Out.
- 199—No Card, b.f. Press Card—North Sphinx; Hal C.B. Clagett III, Christy Clagett, agt.; Anthony Correnti; \$9,500.
- 200—b.c. Hermitage—No Stoppin' Me; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Ronald F. Richter; \$20,000.



Top-priced colt at \$165,000 was this son of Two Punch—Chief Appeal consigned by Sally Thomas, agent for Four Horsemen's Ranch, and bought by Buzz Chace, agent.

- 201—ch.c. Badger Land—Oka No Rogers; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Charles Murray; \$31,000.
- 202—Valid Dorothy, ch.f. Valid Appeal—One for Dorothy; Daybreak Farm; \$97,000; Not sold.
- 203—dk.b./br.f. Colony Light—Only Above; Tara Stables, agt.; \$8,500; Not sold.
- 204—b.f. Bien Bien—On Trial; Cool Hill Farm; \$12,000; Not sold.
- 205—dk.b./br.c. Housebuster—Onyx; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Buzz Chace, agt.; \$80,000.
- 206—Colonial Sue, ch.f. Colonial Affair—Our Nice Sue; McKathan Farms, agt.; David Walters; \$18,500.
- 207—b.f. Peteski—Our Wildirish Rose; Blackthorn Farm, agt.; Orlando Di Rienzo; \$95,000.
- 208—Cindy Lou Who, dk.b./br.f. Judge Smells—Over My Limit; Stephen M. Casey, agt.; Mike Enck; \$11,000.
- 209—Charming Naskra, dk.b./br.c. Star de Naskra—Pacific Charmer; The Kindergarten, agt.; Gibson Smith; \$5,000.
- 210—dk.b./br.c. Gilded Time—Pale Purple; Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; Richard H. McCall; \$8,000.
- 211—Palonian Express, dk.b./br.f. Kokand—Palos; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; \$24,000; Not sold.
- 212—ch.c. Navarone—Papochino; Clare Silva, agt.; Robin S. Martin; \$13,000.
- 213—Passing Flight, b.f. Double Negative—Passing Cloud; Januk & Company, Inc., James W. Ferraro, agt.; Out.
- 214—Allen's Patsy, ch.g. Allen's Alydar—Patsy McCann Can; Ontrack Thoroughbred Training Center, agt.; Hector Alcalde; \$6,500.
- 215—b.c. Java Gold—Pavahra (GB); M & H Training and Sales; \$16,000; Not sold.
- 216—Talley's Galley, b.g. Gallaplat—Permian Layer; Woodhaven Farm, agt.; Suzanne F. Kelly; \$12,000.
- 217—Serenio, ch.c. Ghazi—Pero Yo Se (Arg); Nick de Meric, agt.; Cecil O. Seaman, agt.; \$42,000.
- 218—ch.c. Kingmambo—Pink Dove; Daybreak Farm; Virtual Owners Partnership; \$22,000.

Two-year-olds

	1998	1997
Number offered	429	339
Number sold	317	248
Percent not sold	26%	27%
Gross	\$9,602,600	\$6,334,700
Average	\$30,292	\$25,543
Median	\$20,000	\$18,000

- 219—Epic Honor, ch.c. Honor Grades—Poage's Landing; Lynne Martin, agt.; Mid Post Thoroughbreds; \$62,000.
- 220—Poker Player, gr./ro.f. Spectacular Bid—Poker's Errand; Sharon Biamonte, agt.; \$20,000; Not sold.
- 221—gr./ro.f. Prospectors Gamble—Poleeced; Woodhaven Farm, agt.; Out.
- 222—Call Me Tricky, b.c. Phone Trick—Pontificate; Sally Thomas, agt.; Tina Melton; \$55,000.
- 223—Trick the Caller, ch.f. Caller I. D.—Positive Cure; Stellar Racing Stable, Franklin G. Smith, agt.; \$37,000; Not sold.
- 224—Singing Gambler, gr./ro.f. Prospectors Gamble—Practice Singing; Woodhaven Farm, agt.; Michael Jester; \$16,000.

- 225—Mr. Carter, dk.b./br.g. Zuppardos Prospect—Pretty Pat; Wayne Rice; Gladys Mae Moreland; \$8,500.
- 226—Pretty Spectacular, dk.b./br.c. Spectacular Bid—Pretty Star; Jessie and Stacy Longoria; Robert Klesaris; \$15,000.
- 227—Yellowenglishrose, b.f. Colonial Affair—Princess Baja; Eisaman Equine, agt.; Out.
- 228—Princely Number, ch.c. Polish Numbers—Princess Claire; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; \$24,000; Not sold.
- 229—Havana Speed, dk.b./br.f. Turkoman—Princess Miss Mela; James Layden, agt.; Out.
- 230—ch.f. Storm Boot—Princess S.; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$45,000; Not sold.
- 231—b.f. Strolling Along—Princess Snow; Old South Farm, agt.; Morton and Roberta Goldstein; \$14,000.
- 232—Princiére, b.f. Septieme Ciel—Printaniere; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Dr. Ruben Vallejo; \$11,000.
- 233—dk.b./br.f. Cahill Road—Promised Proper; Valley View Farm (Walter Burke), agt.; Our Farm Inc.; \$8,500.
- 234—dk.b./br.f. Goldwater—Prompt Jackie; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Carlos Garcia, agt.; \$15,000.
- 235—dk.b./br.f. Hermitage—Property Rights; Cool Hill Farm; Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Garcia, agt.; \$20,000.
- 236—dk.b./br.f. Mountain Cat—Protostar; McKathan Farms, agt.; Michael Jester; \$21,000.
- 237—Olivia's Whirl, dk.b./br.f. Island Whirl—Proud Woman; Sharon Biamonte, agt.; Out.
- 238—Words and Music, b.c. Houston—Pursuit of Dreams; Eisaman Equine, agt.; \$14,000; Not sold.
- 239—b.c. Temperence Hill—Quick Casting; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Rabbits Foot Stable; \$27,000.
- 240—gr./ro.f. Mi Cielo—Quietude; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; J.H. McCaul; \$12,500.
- 241—ch.c. Cagney Bidder—Quillummo; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Ron McKee; \$40,000.
- 242—Quite Striking, dk.b./br.c. Irish Open—Quite Ducky; Gentry Farms, Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; \$10,500; Not sold.
- 243—Wascally Wabbit, b.g. Pentelicus—Rabbit; Jessie and Stacy Longoria; \$25,000; Not sold.
- 244—Noah, dk.b./br.c. Smarten—Rainbow Promise; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; Timothy Wickes, agt.; \$24,000.
- 245—Tom's Revenge, b.c. Tom Cobbley—Rainbowsnollipops; Sally Thomas, agt.; Arnold Smolen; \$12,000.
- 246—ch.c. West by West—Rainbow Two; Abracadabra Farms, agt.; Daniel Brewster; \$47,000.
- 247—Raire Standard, b.c. American Standard—Raire Hope; Four Horsemen's Ranch, Sally Thomas, agt.; Arnold Smolen; \$14,000.
- 248—ch.c. Prospector's Music—Ranee Baba; Stephen M. Casey, agt.; Ronald E. McKee; \$22,000.
- 249—Memory Dance, gr./ro.f. Thorn Dance—Rare Thing; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; Out.

- 250—ch.f. Prospector's Music—Recycle Sally; Stephen M. Casey, agt.; J.C. Meyer; \$8,500.
- 251—Shipwrecked, b.c. Premiership—Regency Island; Nick de Meric, agt.; Dr. Mikel C. Harrington, agt.; \$35,000.
- 252—Digger Joe, b.c. Digression—Regents Flame; Briar Lane Farm; Michael J. O'Brien; \$10,000.
- 253—b.c. Somethingfabulous—Remedios (Chi); Cool Hill Farm; Richard Pisaturo; \$7,500.
- 254—b.c. Robin des Pins—Return to Royalty; Quality Thoroughbreds, McKathan Bros., agt.; Christine Murray; \$20,000.
- 255—Lil River, ch.c. Lil E. Tee—River Bank Kid; Sharon Biamonte, agt.; Out.
- 256—Capote Crossing, b.f. Capote—River Crossing; Woodside Ranch, agt.; Spendthrift Farm; \$63,000.
- 257—Oklawaha Kip, ch.f. Kipper Kelly—River Pet; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Dianne Lears Stern; \$5,500.
- 258—ch.f. Opening Verse—River Zone; Sharon Biamonte, agt. II; \$25,000; Not sold.
- 259—b.c. Dispersal—Romantique; The Kindergarten, agt.; B.J. Kingdon; \$57,000.
- 260—dk.b./br.c. Exbourne—Rougegait; DK Partnership; Joseph Brocklebank; \$10,000.
- 261—Meadow Caper, ch.c. Meadowlake—Royal Caper; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; Out.
- 262—ch.f. Ogygian—Ruby Cairo (Ire); Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
- 263—ch.c. Salt Lake—Ruffled Bird; Nick de Meric, agt.; Jack Gambone; \$60,000.
- 264—dk.b./br.c. Corporate Report—Ruffled Silk; DSB Stable; \$17,000; Not sold.

Tuesday, May 19

- 160 sold; \$5,125,500 gross; \$32,034 average; 63 not sold.
- 265—Metro Star, ch.c. Citidancer—Sabatoge; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; John Salzman, agt.; \$20,000.
- 266—Grant's Our Boy, b.c. Brent's Majesty—Sagamore Princes; Meredith Manor (Bill Pomposelli), agt.; \$6,000; Not sold.
- 267—b.f. Slew City Slew—Sarabelli; Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; \$8,000; Not sold.
- 268—ch.f. Thirty Six Red—Sarannah; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; \$34,000; Not sold.
- 269—Driving Rain, dk.b./br.c. Seattle Sleet—Sassy Madame; Jessie and Stacy Longoria; Out.
- 270—ch.c. Missionary Ridge (GB)—Save the Doe; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$19,000; Not sold.
- 271—Prairie Steamer, b.c. Western Miner—Savvy Lady; M & H Training and Sales; Carl Deville; \$13,000.
- 272—Nepalette, ch.f. Nepal—Scheherazade; Canevari Farms, Anthony Russo, agt.; \$6,500; Not sold.
- 273—gr./ro.f. Spectacular Bid—Scoutingforkisses; Cool Hill Farm; Scott Carlsen; \$11,500.
- 274—Carny Princess, b.f. Carnivalay—Seal Harbor; Dewitt and Elliott Stables, Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; \$10,500; Not sold.
- 275—Dr. Fallon, b.c. Housebuster—Second Veil; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; E.L.R. Corp.; \$45,000.
- 276—My Secret Flag, dk.b./br.g. Personal Flag—Secret Garden; Ontrack Thor-

Leading consignors by gross

Nick de Meric, agent (23).....	\$841,500
James Layden, agent (5).....	510,000
H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agent (8).....	493,000
Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agent (7).....	417,000
Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agent (10).....	392,000
Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agent (11).....	324,500
Daybreak Farm (7).....	299,000
Kirkwood Stables, agent (8).....	275,700
Millstream (Andrea C. King), agent (10).....	245,100
Farnsworth Farms, agent (12).....	244,800
LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agent (15).....	238,500
Chanceland Farm, agent (8).....	231,500
Eddie Woods, agent (6).....	228,500

Leading consignors by average, 3 or more sold

James Layden, agent (5).....	\$102,000
M & H Training and Sales, agent (3).....	65,833
Sally Thomas, agent for Four Horsemen's Ranch (3).....	64,833
H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agent (8).....	61,625
Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agent (7).....	59,571
Lynne Martin, agent (3).....	53,667
Niall Brennan, agent (4).....	44,000
Woodside Ranch, agent (4).....	44,000
Abracadabra Farms, agent (3).....	43,667
Franklin G. Smith, agent (3).....	43,000

- oughbred Training Center, agt.; Richard O'Connell, agt.; \$15,000.
- 277—Dusty's Secret, b.f. Manila—Secret Note; Robert Harris, agt.; Old Brookside Farm; \$22,000.
- 278—b.c. Star de Naskra—Secretorose; Diamond S Farm; Ronald Benko; \$8,000.
- 279—b.g. Take Me Out—Seduce; Dean F. Crane; Out.
- 280—Requiemforaknight, b.f. Slew the Knight—Send Red Roses; Lucia Carroll, agt.; Out.
- 281—dk.b./br.f. Waquoit—Seven Years; Nick de Meric, agt.; \$20,000; Not sold.
- 282—b.f. Mi Cielo—Shall Be Best; Cool Hill Farm; Out.
- 283—dk.b./br.c. Oh Say—Shambidextress; New Episode Training Center, Inc.; Out.
- 284—dk.b./br.c. Jolie's Halo—Sham Over; McKathan Bros., agt.; Out.
- 285—ch.c. Corporate Report—Sharp Princess; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Steven H. Lewis; \$13,000.
- 286—b.f. Technology—Sharp Shot; Judith Adams, Cover Story Farm, agt.; Jerry Fishback, agt.; \$25,000.
- 287—Sharp Playgirl, dk.b./br.f. Western Playboy—Sharp Spirit; Dr. George Brown, Chabboquasset Farm, agt.; \$7,000; Not sold.
- 288—gr./ro.c. Hawkster—She's a Cad; DSB Stable; P.A. Everard, agt.; \$9,700.
- 289—ch.f. River Special—Shesmineallmine; Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; Spendthrift Farm; \$7,000.
- 290—dk.b./br.c. Private Terms—Sichana; Blue River Stable, Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt. Out.
- 291—dk.b./br.f. Noactor—Simple Assault; DSB Stable; Out.
- 292—Rare Fenter, dk.b./br.g. Fenter—Simply Magic; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Out.
- 293—ch.c. Dehere—Sister Mac; Mike Akoury Jr., agt.; \$35,000; Not sold.
- 294—Sejm's Lunar Star, ch.f. Sejm—Sitting Duck; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; \$9,500; Not sold.
- 295—Rangeley Skier, dk.b./br.f. American Chance—Ski Buff; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; \$4,500; Not sold.
- 296—Talentina, dk.b./br.f. Local Talent—Sky Meadows; Nick de Meric, agt.; Seymour Cohn; \$100,000.
- 297—Night Lightning, b.c. Bucksplasher—Sleepy Princess; Briar Lane Farm Charles Murray; \$22,000.
- 298—dk.b./br.f. Jeblar—Slew Me Now; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; John B. Porter; \$50,000.
- 299—Polly Digit, b.f. Polish Numbers—Sly Jezzie; Eddie Woods, agt.; Jeff Thornbury, agt.; \$76,000.
- 300—Scotch, gr./ro.c. Eastover Court—Smart Kass; Pleasant Mount Farm, Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; Dan Ryan; \$9,000.
- 301—Halo Ocorner, dk.b./br.c. Jolie's Halo—Smilingintherain; Niall Brennan, agt.; Edward Turlington; \$30,000.
- 302—b.c. Crafty Prospector—Smooth and Classy; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.

- 303—Smooth Consort, gr./ro.f. Oh Say—Smooth Strike; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Roland Wise; \$36,000.
- 304—Stormy Sonata, b.c. Star de Naskra—Sonata Sonata; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Out.
- 305—ch.f. Gilded Time—Southern Summer; Abracadabra Farms, agt.; Linda Gaudet; \$24,000.
- 306—gr./ro.f. Runaway Groom—Sovereign Command; Niall Brennan, agt.; Lisa Necastro, agt.; \$35,000.
- 307—Elizabell, gr./ro.f. Northern Prospect—Space Ensign; M & H Training and Sales; Thomas Willmott; \$11,500.
- 308—dk.b./br.f. Mercedes Won—Spectacularjenelle; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Eugenio Abbruzzese; \$5,000.



Second highest-priced offering was this \$180,000 Saint Ballado filly consigned by H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agent, and purchased by Joseph Brocklebank, agent.

- 309—Love Note, ch.f. Conquistador Oro—Spirit of Fantasy; Old South Farm, agt.; Aron Yagoda; \$10,000.
- 310—Swan Lake, b.f. Kitwood—Sportsider; Harry L. Landry Bloodstock, LLC, agt.; Edward A. Rudley; \$52,000.
- 311—Spring Louise, b.f. Cryptoclearance—Spring Loose; Eisaman Equine, agt.; Out.
- 312—Cherokee Whirl, dk.b./br.f. Cherokee Colony—Star Whirl; E.H. "Beau" Lane, James C. Kirk, agt.; \$9,500; Not sold.
- 313—Stray Voltage, ch.f. Anjiz—Staticelectricity; New Episode Training Center, Inc.; Patrick Myers; \$18,000.
- 314—Truthofit, dk.b./br.c. Is It True—Statuesque (Fr); Stephen M. Casey, agt.; \$34,000; Not sold.

Top sires by average (three or more sold)

Jolie's Halo (3).....	\$163,333
Two Punch (5).....	116,600
Salt Lake (5).....	62,200
West by West (5).....	61,000
Mountain Cat (3).....	53,667
Gilded Time (4).....	44,250
Williamstown (3).....	42,333
Mining (4).....	38,250
Distinctive Pro (5).....	38,100
Colonial Affair (4).....	35,625

Top sires by gross

Two Punch (5).....	\$583,000
Jolie's Halo (3).....	490,000
Salt Lake (5).....	311,000
West by West (5).....	305,000
Distinctive Pro (5).....	190,500
Saint Ballado (1).....	180,000
Capote (2).....	178,000
Gilded Time (4).....	177,000
Allen's Prospect (2).....	170,000
Mountain Cat (3).....	161,000

Pinhookers scorecard

Following are those horses who sold for \$50,000 or more, exceeding their auction yearling purchase price by 100 percent or greater:

- \$360,000** Jolie's Princess, b.f. Jolie's Halo—Italian Princess by Bold Bidder.
obsaug \$50,000
- \$180,000** b.f. Saint Ballado—Medieval Baird by Medieval Man. *obsaug* \$43,000.
- \$140,000** Speculation, ch.c. Allen's Prospect—Stay Up Late by Aloma's Ruler.
keesept \$32,000
- \$125,000** b.c. Aloha Prospector—Carni Gal by Carnivalay. *ftkcoct* \$25,000
- \$100,000** Talentina, dk.b./br.f. Local Talent—Sky Meadows by Conquistador Cielo. *keejan* \$6,700
- \$100,000** dk.b./br.c. Jolie's Halo—Surprise Special by Silent Screen.
ftmsept \$37,000
- \$87,000** ch.f. Mt. Livermore—At the Gate by Hero's Honor. *keesept* \$25,000
- \$87,000** b.c. West by West—Braid by Devil's Bag. *ftkjul* \$23,000
- \$80,000** Military War, gr./ro.c. Two Punch—Military Maid by Lord at War (Arg). *keejan* \$15,000
- \$76,000** Polly Digit, b.f. Polish Numbers—Sly Jezzie by Clever Trick.
ftmsept \$25,000
- \$75,000** gr./ro.c. Great Above—Demand Attention by Al Hattab.
ftkcoct \$16,500
- \$62,000** Epic Honor, ch.c. Honor Grades—Poage's Landing by Herat.
obsaug \$30,000
- \$61,000** ch.f. Mining—Weed It Out by Clever Trick. *keesept* \$21,000
- \$60,000** ch.g. Kyle's Our Man—Ataire by What a Pleasure. *ftmsept* \$13,500
- \$60,000** gr./ro.c. Two Punch—Frivolous by Foolish Pleasure. *obsaug* \$11,000
- \$60,000** ch.c. Kris S.—Miss Timebank by Water Bank. *keesept* \$16,000
- \$60,000** Hollyburn, b.c. Williamstown—Top Princess by Topsider.
keesept \$27,000
- \$55,000** Call Me Tricky, b.c. Phone Trick—Pontificate by El Gran Senor.
ftmsept \$15,000
- \$55,000** Chance for Snow, dk.b./br.f. Frosty the Snowman—Take My Chances by Tank's Prospect. *keesept* \$10,000
- \$50,000** dk.b./br.c. Manzotti—Charitable Gift by Spend a Buck.
ftkcoct \$14,000
- \$50,000** ch.c. Ends Well—Fleeting Chance by Top Command. *ftmsept* \$10,000
- \$50,000** b.f. West by West—New Reference (GB) by Reference Point.
obsaug \$17,000
- 315—Speculation, ch.c. Allen's Prospect—Stay Up Late; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; Greg Rand; \$140,000.
- 316—b.f. Bates Motel—Steppin Lively; Sharon Biamonte, agt.; \$20,000; Not sold.
- 317—Mega Bucks, ch.c. Megaturn—Striking Girl; Meredith Manor (Bill Pomposelli), agt.; \$15,000; Not sold.
- 318—b.f. Imperial Falcon—Sugar Flake; Dr. John Pritchard, Chabboquasset Farm, agt.; \$12,000; Not sold.
- 319—No More Tears, dk.b./br.f. Horatius—Sugarock; Lost Maple Stable; \$17,000; Not sold.
- 320—Summer Harvest, b.f. Chenin Blanc—Summer Sketches; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$9,000; Not sold.
- 321—Main St. Dancer, b.f. Thorn Dance—Summon the Lady; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; \$5,000; Not sold.
- 322—dk.b./br.c. Major Impact—Sunny Roberta; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; Nancy Clark; \$25,000.
- 323—Thirty Six Sprite, ch.f. Thirty Six Red—Sun Sprite; Winner's Choice Farm, agt.; Lisa Necastro, agt.; \$12,000.
- 324—ch.f. Dehere—Surf Rider; Abracadabra Farms, agt.; \$30,000; Not sold.
- 325—dk.b./br.c. Jolie's Halo—Surprise Special; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; Boxwood Farm; \$100,000.
- 326—Deerhunt, b.c. Deerhound—Survey; Freedom Acres (Y. Kolybabiuk), Frank Wooten Stables, agt.; Out.
- 327—ch.f. Mercedes Won—Sweet Aroma; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Robert L. Ing-ham; \$15,000.
- 328—Kilpedder Lad, b.c. Compliance—Sweet-heart Sarah; New Episode Training Center, Inc.; Michael Spielman; \$6,000.
- 329—dk.b./br.c. Well Decorated—Sweet Hol-low; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; Richard Hendriks; \$61,000.
- 330—Sweet n Salty, dk.b./br.f. Salt Lake—Sweet Maid; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; Peter Pellegrino; \$66,000.
- 331—Out of Sweets, ch.f. Out of Place—Sweet Side; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Domino/Fox/Coon, agt.; \$65,000.
- 332—Sweet Devil, b.f. Devil's Bag—Syriac; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Spendthrift Farm; \$30,000.
- 333—b.f. Harlan—Table Vice; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; Dimitrios Pitsos; \$7,100.
- 334—Chance for Snow, dk.b./br.f. Frosty the Snowman—Take My Chances; Crystal Eclipse Stable, agt.; Cromwell Blood-stock Agency; \$55,000.
- 335—Ewer All Wet, ch.g., Belong to Me—Tall Glass O'Water; Nick de Meric, agt.; \$55,000; Not sold.
- 336—dk.b./br.f. Carson City—Tashiana; Day-break Farm; Spendthrift Farm; \$30,000.
- 337—ch.f. Dr. Blum—Tee Tantrum; Sharon Biamonte, agt.; Out.
- 338—Brideled Zeal, dk.b./br.g. Unreal Zeal—Tell's Bride; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Out.
- 339—b.f. Country Pine—Temttatenfrustrate; Eisanan Equine, agt.; \$8,000; Not sold.
- 340—Tenacious Terms, dk.b./br.f. Private Terms—Tenacious Wind (Ire); Sharon Biamonte, agt.; Linda Gaudet; \$19,000.

341—Political Gun, dk.b./br.c. Mane Minister—Ten Guns; Cool Hill Farm; \$10,000; Not sold.

342—ch.c. Mt. Livermore—Ten Ten Ho; LOR Stables, Ltd.; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$9,000; Not sold.

343—ch.c. Beau Genius—Tewksbury Garden; M & H Training and Sales; John Lenzi Sr.; \$12,000.

344—Belgenio, b.c. Beau Genius—Texas Cinema; Nick de Meric, agt.; James Walborn; \$6,500.

345—dk.b./br.f. Colonial Affair—Think Blue; Cecil and Oja Stewart, agt.; B.J. Kingdon; \$83,000.

346—b.c. Cherokee Colony—Timeless Oak; Cool Hill Farm; Dimitrios Pitsos; \$8,000.

347—gr./ro.f. Eastern Echo—Timely Match; Abracadabra Farms, agt.; Out.

348—Dot in the Sky, b.f. Conquistador Cielo—Tim's Lady; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$82,000; Not sold.

349—dk.b./br.f. Mountain Cat—Tiny Falcon; Eisaman Equine, agt.; Out.

350—Too Personal, b.g. Personal Flag—Too Fit to Be Tied; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Out.

351—Hollyburn, b.c. Williamstown—Top Princess; Eddie Woods, agt.; Linda Gaudet; \$60,000.

352—Four Star General, dk.b./br.c. Lord At War (Arg)—Top Soil; Lawrence D. Regan; \$10,000; Not sold.

353—b.c. Olympio—Top Test; Cool Hill Farm; Dennis Desmarais; \$10,000.

354—ch.c. Line In the Sand—Torrify; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Out.

355—Emerging Glory, dk.b./br.f. Smarten—To the Hunt; Penny Lewis Whitney, Eddie Woods, agt.; \$30,000; Not sold.

356—Sounds Perfect, dk.b./br.f. Compelling Sound—Tough to Touch; M & H Training and Sales, agt.; Country Life Farm, agt.; \$58,000.

357—b.c. Is It True—Towering Infurna; Chanceland Farm, agt.; \$17,000; Not sold.

358—Deer Tracker, b.c. Deerhound—Track Ballet; Tara Stables, agt.; Carlos Garcia, agt.; \$25,000.

359—b.c. American Standard—Trail On Ice; LOR Stables, Ltd.; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Patrick J. Magill; \$6,000.

360—Prey, b.c. Mountain Cat—Traipsin Lady; Nick de Meric, agt.; Linda Gaudet; \$50,000.

361—dk.b./br.c. Fortunate Prospect—True to Romeo; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Linda Gaudet; \$57,000.

362—Eloquent Endeavor, dk.b./br.f. Marquetry—Tudor Hot Line; Woodside Ranch, agt.; Zelma M. Morrison; \$43,000.

363—Echo Tomyears, dk.b./br.f. Eastern Echo—Tuji; Price Thoroughbreds, agt.; Wickel Shimono; \$10,500.

364—Gypsy Card, ch.c. Hay Halo—Turko Gold; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; \$11,000; Not sold.

365—b.c. Silver Deputy—Turn to Money; Eddie Woods, agt.; Out.

366—b.c. Blushing John—Tuscolana (Chi); Crystal Eclipse Stable, agt.; James Day; \$7,500.

367—b.g. Harlan—Twinkling Star; Hart Farm, agt.; Tyson Gilpin, agt.; \$31,000.

368—Gemini Flight, ch.c. Strike the Gold—Unmanned Flight; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Jonas Cash; \$45,000.

369—Native Sailor, dk.b./br.c. Meadowlake—Up Sail; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Florence Patitucci; \$50,000.

370—Darth Vada, ch.c. Demidoff—Vada Belle; John F. Jones Jr., Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; Don Ogden; \$13,500.

371—Impressive Questor, dk.b./br.f. Norquestor—Vaguely Impressive; G.H. Bloodstock and Thomas Machande Jr.; Thomas Willmott; \$5,500.

372—b.f. Devil's Bag—Valentine Ball; Valhalla Farms, agt.; \$30,000; Not sold.

373—dk.b./br.f. Major Impact—Velvet Plum; M & H Training and Sales, agt.; H. Graham Motion; \$14,500.

374—Pro Video, b.f. Distinctive Pro—Video Night; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; Robert Klesaris; \$33,000.

375—b.c. Williamstown—Walkeen; Dr. Dexter Gary, Dermott C. Meere, agt.; \$9,500; Not sold.

376—ch.f. Mining—Warranty Applied; The Kindergarten, agt.; Linda Gaudet, agt.; \$27,000.

377—b.f. Pleasant Tap—Water Song; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Tyson Gilpin, agt.; \$10,000.

378—ch.f. Mining—Weed It Out; Daybreak Farm; William P. Beatson Jr.; \$61,000.

379—gr./ro.c. Relaunch—Wee Dram; Nick de Meric, agt.; Out.

380—Noble Feat, b.f. Well Decorated—Wendy's Moment; Lucia Carroll, agt.; \$14,000; Not sold.

381—Rakalar, ch.c. West by West—Whatwouldhappenif; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Earle I. Mack; \$100,000.

382—One for Baby, b.f. Fly So Free—Whimsical Wolf; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; J.C. Meyer, agt.; \$14,500.

383—b.c. Glitterman—Whirling Creek; Nick de Meric, agt.; Florence Patitucci; \$22,000.

384—Pass or Punt, dk.b./br.f. Once Wild—Why Pass; Marty and Carol Hershe; Richard Quane; \$5,200.

385—White Wine, gr./ro.f. Chenin Blanc—Wide Awake; Wayne Rice; \$7,700; Not sold.

386—b.f. Wallenda—Wild Five; Suzanne Collins, Eddie Woods, agt.; Out.

387—Revere, dk.b./br.c. Colonial Affair—Wilton Crescent; Stephen M. Casey, agt.; Leroy Jolley, agt.; \$20,000.

388—dk.b./br.f. Hansel—Windwardwalker; DSB Stable; Out.

389—Enerxia, b.f. Strike the Gold—Winning the Day; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Mrs. Thomas Walsh; \$8,000.

390—Latest Ruling, dk.b./br.g. Judge Smells—Winter Affair; Harry L. Landry Bloodstock, LLC, agt.; Anthony Russo; \$5,000.

391—dk.b./br.f. Navarone—Winthrop Arms; McKathan Bros., agt.; Ronald D. Schmidt; \$25,000.

392—Lucky Strike, ch.c. Strike the Gold—Wish Bone Lake; Nick de Meric, agt.; Anthony Correnti; \$22,000.

Leading buyers by gross

Joseph Brocklebank, agent (4)	\$765,000
Richard O'Connell (10)	391,000
Buzz Chace, agent (3)	287,000
S. Kleemann, P. Marino, agent (9)	233,000
Linda Gaudet (6)	222,000
Jack Gambone (3)	175,000
Florence Patitucci (3)	175,000
Cromwell Bloodstock Agency (3)	165,000
Wesley Ward (2)	152,000
Spendthrift Farm (5)	150,000

393—dk.b./br.f. Premiership—Wishes Three; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; St. Francis Farm; \$17,000.

394—ch.c. Blare of Trumpets—Wonder Dust; Cool Hill Farm; Harold and Charlotte Shotwell; \$6,500.

395—b.c. Carr de Naskra—Wonder Mar; Niall Brennan, agt.; Out.

396—dk.b./br.f. Mercedes Won—Woodland Sunset; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; J.R. Rastetter; \$4,800.

397—Canvas Riot, dk.b./br.f. Patriotically—Woven Canvas; Canevari Farms, Anthony Russo, agt.; \$7,000; Not sold.

398—b.c. Majestic Light—Yasmean; The Kindergarten, agt.; Pewter Stable; \$5,500.

399—ch.f. Pick Up the Phone—Yia Yia; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; \$9,000; Not sold.

400—Fantazsfuldhere, b.f. Slew City Slew—You Make Me Blue; Dunnhall Ltd., Tara Stables, agt.; Louis Ross, agt.; \$9,000.

401—ch.c. Vermont—Access Alex; DSB Stable; Frank C. Martin Jr.; \$25,000.

402—Wings of Destiny, b.g. Prospectors Gamble—Accipital; James Layden, agt.; Out.

403—Always A. E., ch.c. Heff—According to Chic; Esquire Farm; \$10,000; Not sold.

404—New Ending, b.c. Ends Well—Aceite Patch; Sam Morrell, Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; Richard Quane; \$5,000.

405—ch.f. Temperance Hill—Adequate; Cool Hill Farm; William Lamb; \$5,000.

406—dk.b./br.f. Meadowlake—Affection; McKathan Farms, agt.; Steven H. Lewis; \$15,000.

407—dk.b./br.f. Dignitas—Agitated Style; Sharon Biamonte, agt.; Dr. Mikel C. Harrington; \$10,000.

408—He's Professional, b.c. Distinctive Pro—Agneshka; New Episode Training Center, Inc.; Robert D. Rosenthal; \$45,000.

409—ch.c. Mountain Cat—Ailsa; Niall Brennan, agt.; Robert K. Waxman; \$90,000.

410—Two Punch Christy, b.f. Two Punch—Air Raid Siren; Wendy J. Lyons, Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; Joseph Brocklebank, agt.; \$175,000.

- 411—Waylay, b.f. Carnivalay—Alden's Way; Hal C.B. Clagett III, Christy Clagett, agt.; Tulip Hill Farm; \$7,500.
- 412—Proud Al, b.c. Proud Truth—Aldgorian; Hal C.B. Clagett III, Christy Clagett, agt.; Tulip Hill Farm; \$15,000.
- 413—ch.f. Allen's Prospect—Alexandra's Maid; Chanceland Farm, agt.; \$25,000; Not sold.
- 414—Direct Effect, b.f. Out of Place—All Awhirl; Lynne Martin, agt.; Robert Seeger; \$12,000.
- 415—dk.b./br.g. Big Sal—Almost Renee; M & H Training and Sales; Sherry Kees Rudolph; \$9,000.
- 416—dk.b./br.c. Dixieland Band—Almost Shy; McKathan Farms, agt.; \$12,000; Not sold.
- 417—Sky Cape, gr./ro.c. Relaunch—Al's Helen; Eisaman Equine, agt.; \$34,000; Not sold.
- 418—dk.b./br.f. Farma Way—Also Royal; M & H Training and Sales; Thomas J. Terry; \$15,000.
- 419—Ogeez, dk.b./br.c. Anjiz—Americarr; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Everett Pratt; \$12,500.
- 420—Out in Front, ch.c. Out of Place—A Navy Man's Girl; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; \$39,000; Not sold.
- 421—dk.b./br.g. Judge Smells—Ancient Aria; Old South Farm, agt.; J.C. Meyer, agt.; \$21,000.

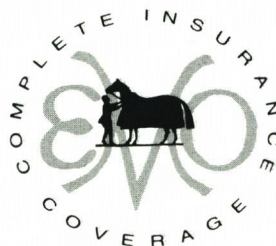
- 422—Beg to Differ, dk.b./br.f. Belong to Me—Andy F.; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Rainbow Stables; \$75,000.
- 423—Bid's Angel, dk.b./br.f. Lustrous Bid—Angel Force; Heidi Crane; Michael Yates; \$3,000.
- 424—Honus, b.c. Press Card—Angelic Lady; Chanceland Farm, agt.; Richard F. Blue; \$43,000.
- 425—Pertinent Bullet, dk.b./br.c. Thorn Dance—Ann's Motel; Dr. George Brown, Chabboquasset Farm, agt.; \$14,000; Not sold.
- 426—dk.b./br.f. Thorn Dance—Anti Lib; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; Eric J. Wirth; \$50,000.
- 427—ch.c. Gilded Time—A Number One; Silver Oaks Farm (Brenda Jones); Prescott Farms; \$95,000.
- 428—dk.b./br.f. Formal Dinner—Appealing Rose; K.E.O. & Cahalan & Hoefer, K.E.O. Bloodstock, agt.; Out.
- 429—Personal Appeal, dk.b./br.f. Personal Hope—Appeal the Rule; Franklin G. Smith, agt.; \$11,000; Not sold.
- 430—b.c. Personal Hope—Arabev; Niall Brennan, agt.; Out.
- 431—ch.c. Believe It—Arctic Mirage; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Classic Thoroughbreds Ltd.; \$40,000.
- 432—Devaki, ch.f. Known Fact—Arjunand; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Richard O'Connell; \$65,000.
- 433—gr./ro.c. Darn That Alarm—Assertion; Nick de Meric, agt.; Richard Hoffberger; \$10,000.
- 434—b.f. Unbridled—Assert Lady; Becky Davis, agt.; \$22,000; Not sold.
- 435—b.c. Well Decorated—A Story Never Told; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Joseph G. Giorgio; \$7,000.
- 436—ch.g. Kyle's Our Man—Ataire; James Layden, agt.; Gary Contessa, agt.; \$60,000.
- 437—ch.f. Mt. Livermore—At the Gate; Daybreak Farm; Jack Gambone; \$87,000.
- 438—Miss Audra, dk.b./br.f. Hunting Horn—Autumn Lady; Price Thoroughbreds, agt.; Mark E. Salomone; \$24,000.
- 439—Dark Deputy, dk.b./br.c. War Deputy—Ballybeg; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$9,000; Not sold.
- 440—Naught Naught, b.f. Beau Genius—Ballynaugh; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; \$20,000; Not sold.
- 441—ch.c. Sky Classic—Bally's Starlet; Niall Brennan, agt.; \$42,000; Not sold.
- 442—b.f. Desert Secret (Ire)—Bandaid; TM Thoroughbred Farm, Leprechaun Racing, agt.; Barclay Tagg; \$20,000.
- 443—dk.b./br.f. Mining—Banker's Bet; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
- 444—Katybarthdoor, b.f. Slew City Slew—Barbara's Moment; Daybreak Stables, Inc. (James and Emily Day), Frank Wooten Stables, agt.; Dan and Tim Muckler; \$20,000.
- 445—Opening Bell, ch.c. Marquetry—Bearing Testimony; Chanceland Farm, agt.; \$38,000; Not sold.
- 446—Wendy April, ch.f. April Axe—Beautiful Blossom; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; William Starritt; \$7,000.

- 447—Becky Slater, b.f. Allen's Prospect—Becky Greene; Januk & Company, Inc., James W. Ferraro, agt.; Out.
- 448—gr./ro.g. Corridor Key—Beg Me; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; Tanterra Stables; \$11,000.
- 449—Bermuda Crossing, dk.b./br.c. Valley Crossing—Bermuda High; Chanceland Farm, agt.; Eugene Todaro; \$31,000.
- 450—Skip In, b.f. Skip Trial—Best in Sale; Nick de Meric, agt.; Rhapsody Farms; \$24,000.
- 451—b.f. Linkage—Betsy Blue; Rock Hill Farm, Darryl L. Boyer, agt.; \$10,000; Not sold.
- 452—gr./ro.f. Two Punch—Better Sportswear; Winner's Choice Farm, agt.; \$16,000; Not sold.
- 453—Davis Cove, dk.b./br.c. Montbrook—Blessed Kris; Nick de Meric, agt.; Earl Silver; \$85,000.
- 454—Lordino, ch.c. Lord Avic—Blue Marine (GB); Nick de Meric, agt.; T.O.S.; \$12,000.
- 455—b.c. Alleged—Blush; Millstream (Andrea C. King), agt.; Paul A. Hirsimaki; \$20,000.
- 456—dk.b./br.c. Cryptoclearance—Blushing Queen; Daybreak Farm; Ronald D. Schmidt; \$16,000.
- 457—dk.b./br.c. Harlan—Boat Hook; Frank Wooten Stables, agt.; \$22,000; Not sold.
- 458—dk.b./br.c. Bates Motel—Bobby Bush; Cool Hill Farm; \$8,000; Not sold.
- 459—Bold Chaffee, ch.c. Fort Chaffee—Bold Winter; McKathan Farms, agt.; Morris E. Kernan Jr.; \$15,000.
- 460—b.f. Glitterman—Bon Adeau; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Dan and Tim Muckler; \$22,000.
- 461—Exbourne Free, dk.b./br.f. Exbourne—Boston Girl; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
- 462—b.c. West by West—Braid; Lynne Martin, agt.; Linda L. Rice, agt.; \$87,000.
- 463—gr./ro.f. Fly Till Dawn—Brainstorming; Virginia Daub, Cary Frommer, agt.; Linda Rice, agt.; \$42,000.
- 464—b.f. Star de Naskra—Brazen Lady; Dr. Dexter Gary, Dermott C. Meere, agt.; \$25,000; Not sold.
- 465—Mark the Gold, dk.b./br.g. Miner's Mark—Bright City; James Layden, agt.; Out.
- 466—Hadette, b.f. Hadif—Buckarete; H.H. Equine, agt.; Jack Gambone; \$28,000.
- 467—dk.b./br.f. Turkoman—Buckner Hill; Cool Hill Farm; Horace M. Parker; \$18,500.
- 468—ch.c. Chief Honcho—Buck's Lady; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Elizabeth Walsh; \$14,500.
- 469—dk.b./br.c. Roanoke—Built On Dreams; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Cary W. Jackson; \$10,000.
- 470—b.f. Rahy—Business Call; H.T. Stables (Jenkins Bros.), agt.; Spendthrift Farm; \$20,000.
- 471—Smart But Vain, ch.f. Smart Alec—But in Vain; Par Four Racing Stable, Inc., Kris Nic Farm, agt.; Out.
- 472—Salt Water Taffy, b.c. Salt Lake—Candy Rind; The Kindergarten, agt.; \$17,000; Not sold.
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- 474—ch.f. Hay Halo—Capable Miss; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Mr. and Mrs. Barton Heller and William Morey; \$15,000.
- 475—b.c. Salt Lake—Captive Fashion; Valley View Farm (Walter Burke), agt.; \$39,000; Not sold.
- 476—b.c. Opening Verse—Carga; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Michael E. Gorham; \$22,000.
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- 478—b.c. Aloha Prospector—Carni Gal; M & H Training and Sales, agt.; Wesley Ward; \$125,000.
- 479—gr./ro.f. Alaskan Frost—Caroline Deslonde; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Joseph G. Giorgio; \$7,500.
- 480—dk.b./br.c. Roanoke—Celeste Noelle; Stephen M. Casey, agt.; Barbara M. Kees; \$14,000.
- 481—Makinafast Fortune, b.c. Fortunate Prospect—Centerfold Girl; Rosegrove, Tara Stables, agt.; Danielle Bishop Stables; \$71,000.
- 482—dk.b./br.c. Manzotti—Charitable Gift; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Joseph Brocklebank, agt.; \$50,000.
- 483—dk.b./br.c. Polish Numbers—Check Lineage; Sequel Bloodstock Inc. (Becky Thomas), agt.; Out.
- 484—dk.b./br.c. Sky Classic—Cherokee Twiggy; Crozier Bloodstock (Marette and Anita Farrell), agt.; Out.
- 485—dk.b./br.c. Two Punch—Chief Appeal; Four Horsemen's Ranch, Sally Thomas, agt.; Buzz Chace, agt.; \$165,000.
- 486—ch.c. Technology—Chilam Balam; Chanceland Farm, agt.; Jocelyn M. McKeever; \$6,500.
- 487—Press Sure, gr./ro.f. Press Card—Chorus Girl; Suzanne Kuhn Haslup, Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; Country Life Farm, agt.; \$17,000.
- 488—Boca's Cove, dk.b./br.f. Broad Brush—Christmas Cove; Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; Milton P. Higgins III, agt.; \$27,000.
- 489—Glory Can, b.f. Kokand—Chum's Glory; James Layden, agt.; Nancy Clark; \$15,000.
- 490—dk.b./br.f. Olympio—C. J.'s Sister; M & H Training and Sales; Richard O'Connell, agt.; \$35,000.
- 491—ch.c. Apalachee—Classic Rival; Eddie Woods, agt.; Mrs. Stephen C. Clark Jr.; \$33,000.
- 492—Quiet Class, b.c. Quiet American—Classy and Quick; Eisaman Equine, agt.; Mr. and Mrs. B. Heller and Mr. and Mrs. D. Chaiken; \$37,000.
- 493—ch.c. Mercedes Won—Classy Elegance; Farnsworth Farms, agt.; Thomas Willmott; \$8,000.
- 494—Al Anoud, b.f. Anjiz—Clever Assist; Leprechaun Racing, agt.; John A. Boiko; \$35,000.
- 495—Performance Critic, b.c. Theatre Critic (Ire)—Clutch Performance; Daybreak Farm; \$8,500; Not sold.
- 496—Skootin Skooter, dk.b./br.c. Caller I. D.—Code Three; Hart Farm, agt.; John B. Porter; \$35,000.
- 497—dk.b./br.f. Metfield—Cold Date; Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agt.; Out.
- 498—Shorty Hook, ch.c. Digamist—Come in Rhodesia; K.E.O. Bloodstock, agt.; \$20,000; Not sold.
- 499—Two Part Harmony, ch.f. Line in the Sand—Complete Harmony; Woodhaven Farm, agt.; A-1 Stable; \$25,000.
- 500—Donot Call, b.f. Sejm—Cope With a Lady; Marty and Carol Hershe; \$10,000; Not sold.
- 501—Country Focus, b.c. Country Pine—Corporate Focus; Four Horsemen's Ranch, Sally Thomas, agt.; Robert Seeger; \$15,500.
- 502—dk.b./br.f. Thunder Rumble—Cosmic; Wayne Rice; Richard O'Connell; \$18,000.
- 503—Count Tech, dk.b./br.c. Technology—Countess Cabrillo; Price Thoroughbreds, agt.; Beth Ann Gambone; \$7,500.
- 504—Unauthorizedspeed, b.f. Hadif—Countess Inro; Gentry Farms, Marshall W. Silverman, agt.; Casey Seaman; \$7,200.
- 505—Stroll By, dk.b./br.c. Strolling Along—Countess Peregrine; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; T.O.S.; \$21,000.
- 506—ch.f. Diazo—Country Commercial; H.H. Equine, agt.; \$25,000; Not sold.
- 507—ch.c. Mining—Crimson Echo; Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; Thomas Willmott; \$25,000.
- 508—dk.b./br.f. Personal Flag—Crimson Fortune; Eddie Woods, agt.; Eduardo Gaviria; \$15,000.
- 509—ch.c. Miswaki—Curl and Set; Diamond S Farm; Meredith Manor; \$14,000.
- 510—Cynbab, b.f. Badger Land—Cynical Gal; Dr. George Brown, Chabboquasset Farm, agt.; \$12,000; Not sold.
- 511—Dahonigold, ch.c. Prosper Fager—Dahoni; Eisaman Equine, agt.; Out.
- 512—Persistently, dk.b./br.f. Spend a Buck—Dalton's First; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Hector Alcalde; \$7,000.
- 513—Runaway for Fame, b.c. Quest for Fame (GB)—Dance Delightful; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
- 514—Pistols and Music, gr./ro.c. Pistols and Roses—Dances With Music; Wildflower Farm (Ray Ivory), agt.; Out.
- 515—b.f. Leo Castelli—Dance Up Stream; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Robert M. Boerner; \$13,500.
- 516—b.f. Capote—Dazzling Bright; Murray Smith; \$50,000; Not sold.
- 517—Salt the Rim, dk.b./br.c. Salt Lake—Dealer's Pick; Robert Harris, agt.; \$13,000; Not sold.
- 518—Principal Interest, ch.f. Ocala Slew—Dear Brunette; Briar Lane Farm; Out.
- 519—La Grocerita, b.f. Saint Ballado—Decorated Doll; Meredith Manor (Bill Pomposelli), agt.; \$95,000; Not sold.
- 520—Millie's Delight, b.f. El Gran Senor—Defer; Daybreak Farm; Mr. and Mrs. B. Heller and Mr. and Mrs. D. Chaiken; \$70,000.
- 521—dk.b./br.f. Colonial Affair—Deluxury; The Kindergarten, agt.; Michael E. Gorham; \$21,000.
- 522—gr./ro.c. Great Above—Demand Attention; Murray Smith; Roland Wise; \$75,000.
- 523—Distinct Marque, ch.f. Marquetry—Dessert Menu; Hartley-Derenzo Thoroughbreds, agt.; Out.
- 524—Plunge, b.c. Trempolino—Dietta; Nick de Meric, agt.; Herbert B. Mittenthal; \$40,000.
- 525—gr./ro.c. Two Punch—Dixieland Queen; Nick de Meric, agt.; Florence Patitucci; \$103,000.
- 526—Truthfully, b.f. Proud Truth—Donraleigh; Douglas Smith, Litz Bloodstock Services, agt.; Raphael B. Kissoon; \$8,000.
- 527—Last Vice, ch.f. Vice Regent—Donut's Pride; Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
- 528—dk.b./br.f. Wavering Monarch—Dream Kid; LOR Stables, Ltd., Kirkwood Stables, agt.; Out.
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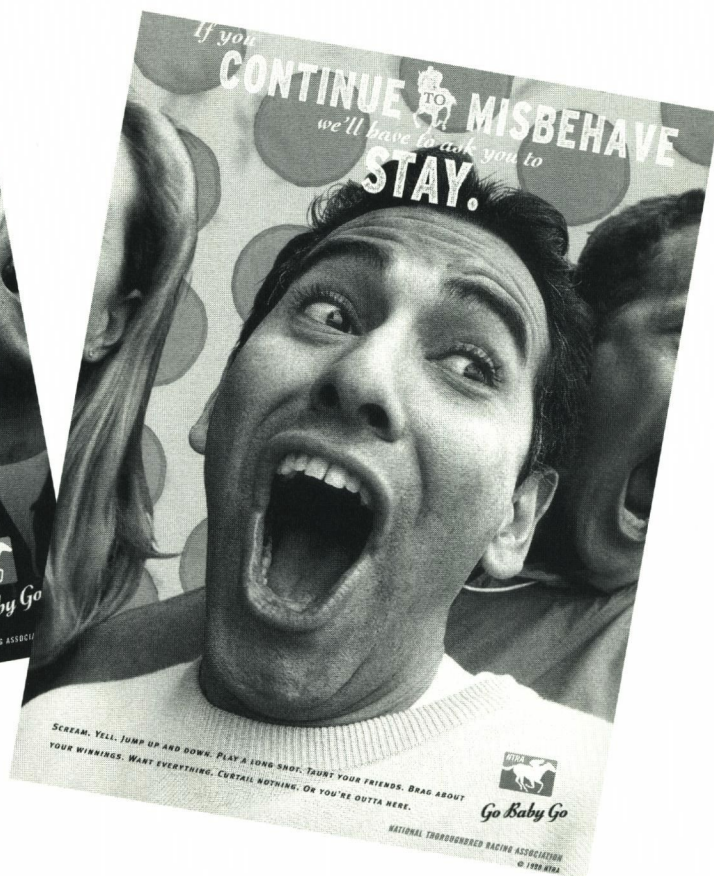
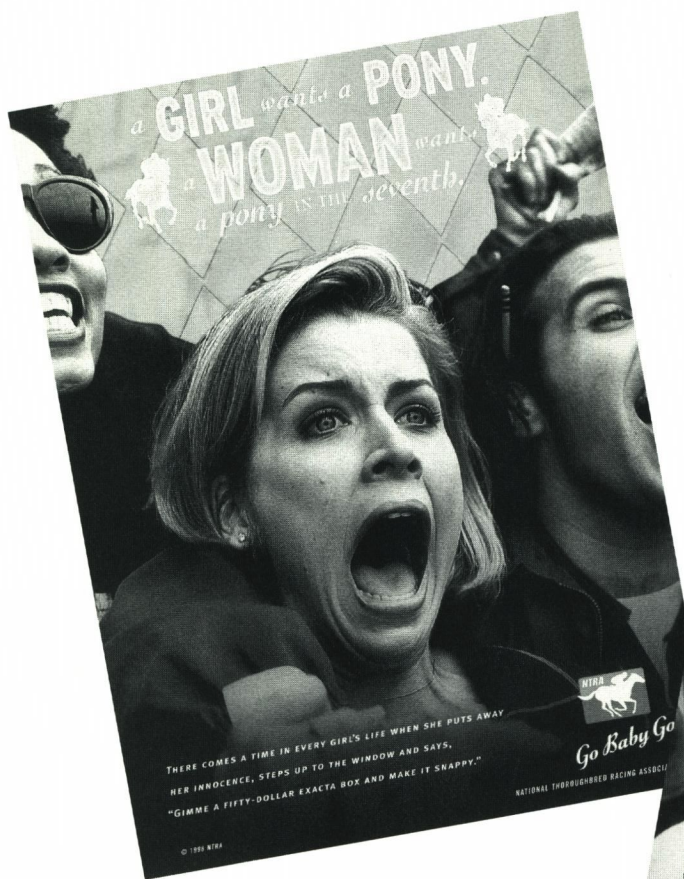
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Way to go, baby: NTRA ad campaign picks up pace

Sassy sell aims to pierce the consciousness of a body-piercing generation

by Vinnie Perrone



DAVID CORR ENTERED HIS BOSS'S OFFICE WITH CERTAIN haste one day last August, announced, "I've got it," and held out the product of his brainstorm. Dangling in front of him was a beige cocktail napkin.

Steve Bowen, a director of the Merkley Newman Harty advertising firm in New York City, had no drink where he sat, no food, no spill. Yet the napkin was about to cover, at that moment, an overt need. On it were

three words, capitalized, hand-written with a black ballpoint: GO BABY GO.

About a week before, Bowen had briefed his six-person creative staff on MNH's ad campaign strategies for the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, the newly galvanized collective of Thoroughbred racing interests with a \$10-million stash for advertising. He told his people, none with any racing insight to speak of, that the sport had to be made fashionable. He asked them to think of the TV commercials in somewhat offbeat terms: say, like "slightly illicit bowling."

"There's nobody out there who doesn't know what horse racing is," Bowen said. "Yet, in increasing numbers, they are able to resist the appeal."

MNH and three other ad agencies competing for the NTRA job had reached parallel market research conclusions about Thoroughbred racing: that its constituents love the multi-dimensional thrills; that they're charged by wagering on a live sports event; that they can openly root without inhibition.

The research, conducted largely by questionnaire, revealed as well that some 59 million others find those characteristics appealing but rarely if ever attend the races. Bowen wanted to train the lens on the huge base of young adults in that untapped mass; Corr, with his punchy slogan, brought the focus. Bowen saw "Go Baby Go" on paper, felt it leave the lips, measured its timbre. He could hear the camera humming.

"It is a pure, unadorned emotion that is genuine as it relates to the racing experience," he said. The question, then, was how to bundle it. From Bowen's desk, what little horse racing advertising in evidence tended to portray the sport in a way millions of no-shows already perceived it: stale, stodgy, unimaginative. He thought they overlooked the basic tenet that horses aren't the only spectacles at race tracks. He thought they

tracked too closely what went on between the rails.

"Our job was to focus in on what is the core, unique promise for a day at the race track," said Bowen, whose father once raced horses at Finger Lakes. "Fundamentally, we made a decision that we needed to turn the camera around."

The TV spots would have an edge, MNH executives gathered. They would fuse odd echoes and raw force, a jagged blade ripping through a cluttered wood. As such, Bowen and his team tanked the idea of a celebrity hawk and started screening for an actor who could carry the message.

"A day at the races is a really exciting, fun, different, let-your-hair-down, rock-and-roll type of day," Bowen said. "We were looking for somebody to deliver the attitude and the language. We didn't go out to try to get a traditional glamour girl, per

in a crowd. She's having a good time. That's what the hell it's all about."

Leffler called MNH's creative stroke "one of the smartest things I've seen in 15 years in the business," and added, "This is exactly what I would have done."

Tim Smith found no means to disagree. The NTRA commissioner (with a marketing background) likes the sassy sell and the philosophy behind it, sees it as a way to pierce the consciousness of a body-piercing generation. "People get bombarded by a thousand advertising messages a day," Smith said. "This issue of breaking through the clutter, [the Go Baby Go ads] are definitely designed to do that. They're also intended to present the experience to basically a whole generation that's not now really considering Thoroughbred racing or a day at the races as anywhere near the top alternatives

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se. We wanted somebody who embodied a hip, contemporary look."

Which is how they plucked Lori Petty, co-star of the 1992 Penny Marshall film *A League of Their Own*. In one spot, Petty flits along the outside rail, a packed grandstand behind her, and lets fly with "Go baby go" a few times. In another she peers into a ticket window and, in a sing-song advisory, says, "Pay the lady. Pay the lady. Pay the lady."

"Go baby go was music to my ears," said ad executive Bob Leffler, whose agency lists as clients the Maryland Jockey Club and the NFL's Baltimore Ravens and Tampa Bay Buccaneers. "She [Petty] stands out

for spending their sports entertainment dollars."

The fan's personal stake in a race distinguishes Thoroughbred racing from other sports, Smith said. "It was an authentic message to send, and it also dealt with the problem that there are very wide differences: an August, million-dollar race at Del Mar versus the proverbial cold Thursday at Aqueduct. The common thread is that emotional involvement. You've got an investment in that horse coming around the final turn. You're engaged."

Trainer Bob Baffert punctuated the point fittingly during this year's Kentucky Derby. The NTRA televi-

sion spots had just begun airing. Baffert's Real Quiet was surging to the fore in the Churchill Downs home-stretch. And the trainer, wired for sound on ABC's telecast, let out for all to hear: "Go baby go!"

Imagine if he liked the phrase. "It didn't really do anything for me," said Baffert, reflecting pervasive sentiment within the horse racing industry. "But, if you don't know anything about racing, 'Go baby go' I think is good. And the more that we say it—force ourselves to say it—it'll pick up."

Leffler called it "a memorable, quality national spot" and said, "You've got to aim it at the customers you're hoping to get, not the customers you've already got."

Smith thinks it's working. At the Derby, he said, he was buoyed by the media's broad attention to the ad campaign. "People are talking about it," he said. "The tag line was very calculated to generate that kind of discussion. And debate is fine. Debate is just fine."

Let Barry Weisbord oblige.

Weisbord, deemed one of racing's most inventive minds through his creation of the American Championship Racing Series and, more recently, the odd-even wager, begins by saying that he strongly backs the NTRA's unified, industry-wide effort to promote Thoroughbred racing. "If there's a slight divergence of opinion," he said, "I felt that the advertising period was a bit premature at this point."

Racing doesn't have a marketing or a distribution problem, Weisbord says; it has a product problem. "To me, what we're dealing with is a restaurant with bad food," he said. "First thing you have to do is get a great chef. Then you advertise."

Weisbord questions the logic of promoting a sport that has onerous takeout levels relative to non-pari-mutuel wagers, poor ancillary forms of entertainment, no cohesive means of determining divisional champions and an unconvincing mien as a true protector of Thoroughbreds. To coax

new people to the race track while these issues remain unresolved, he said, is to invite one-time visitors.

"In today's culture," said Weisbord, a long-time horse owner and now publisher of the *Thoroughbred Daily News*, "we have to project an image that we really care about these animals." Specifically, he said, the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation needs to be "seriously underwritten and seriously understood." And although he recognizes the whip as a tool for jockey safety, he sees it overused.

"We don't need to be smacking horses the way we are," Weisbord said. "That's going to preclude people from wanting to watch. From a marketing perspective, auto racing likes to see a good bang once in a while, assuming nobody gets seriously hurt. Nobody likes to see an animal have a problem."

Thoroughbred racing also needs more marquee matchups, Weisbord said, the kind he tweaked with the creation of the ACRS in the early 1990s. It encompassed a chain of races for older horses—those Triple Crown alumni the casual fans tend to forget—and attracted the best through beefy purses and series bonuses be-

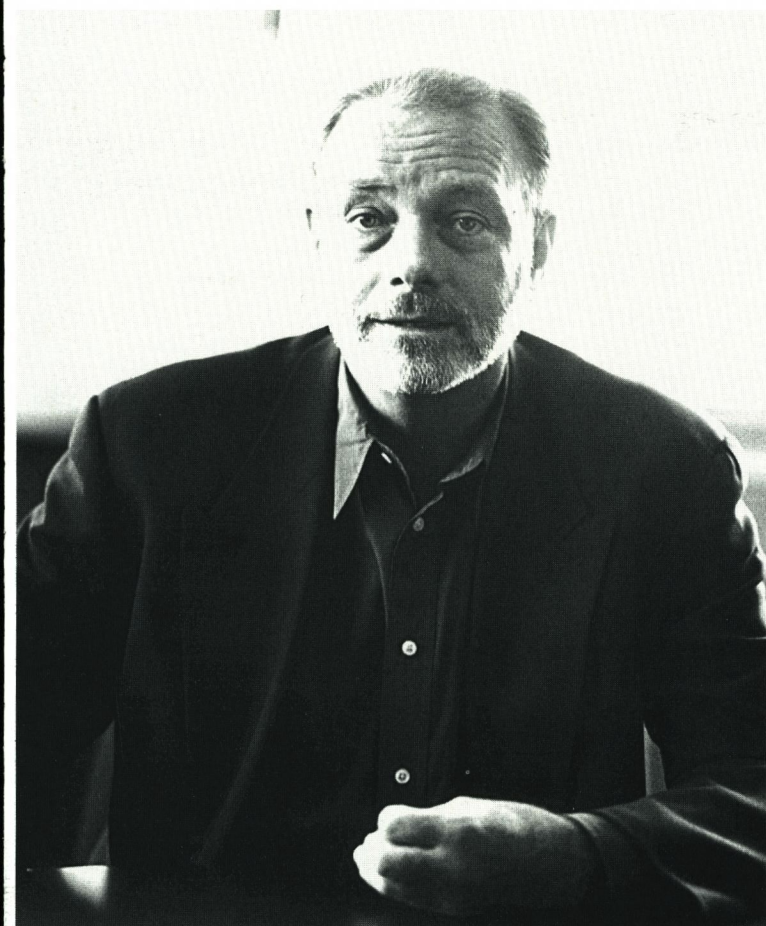


NTRA's Commissioner Tim Smith is pursuing sponsorships.

The NTRA war chest could and \$35 million next year through segment of the Thoroughbred

fore infighting among the ACRS and certain track owners brought it all down.

"You need to have the stars run against each other more than once a year," Weisbord said. "If you don't produce these races, you never get The Guy. Michael Jordan plays in every NBA city twice. Everybody moves around in other pro sports. We need to have something analogous in racing. We need to be on TV. We need to have great events."



Ad agency director Steve Bowen brought concepts to life.

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Race tracks also need more creative, contemporary forms of betting, said ad executive David Hayden, and he wasn't talking slots. He meant wagers that draw from the lottery, from bingo, wagers that play to the rat-a-tat rhythms of a twenty-something crowd inherently averse to the cerebral challenges in-depth handicapping demands. Or, as Hayden put it, wagers "where they don't need to think."

"The younger generation I've spoken to at race tracks in marketing

departments, they like Go Baby Go; it jazzes 'em up," said Hayden, a Thoroughbred owner and breeder whose ad firm handles Turfway Park. "But when they come to a [racing] facility, it's not too exciting. This game's not gonna excite them the way it's presented today."

During the Preakness Day program at Pimlico, Hayden said, a small plane flew by with a tow banner that read, WIN \$500,000 INSTANTLY.

"For a race track," Hayden said, "my marketing campaign would say, 'Hey, every day we're giving away \$1.4 million in payouts,' or whatever the number. I would love to see comparisons to other venues," the way slot machine purveyors and lotteries advertise.

Bowen, the Merkle Newman Harty director, agrees that racing "needs to dramatically improve the whole wagering process" and could use a type of lottery wager, something to stoke the far-reaching gambler's boldest fantasy. "Something like Powerball," he said. "Even though people know the odds are astronomical, it's the kind of wager that could change your life."

Smith too senses racing's need to diversify, and has forged an agree-

ment with ODS Technologies to devise wagers aimed at grabbing new fans. Among them is a bingo-type bet that lists races vertically and the names of horses horizontally, the challenge being to complete a column, row or diagonal.

The NTRA commissioner also spoke of plans for an eight-page wagering guide to be inserted into 3.2 million issues of *Sports Illustrated* this summer and blanket newspaper advertisements that update the sport's leading money winners among horses, owners, trainers, jockeys.

"If we send it out to the sports editors and say, 'Please use it on the agate page,' some will, some won't," Smith said. "So we're going to actually buy it to get people thinking about it. . . And there's no reason in the world why that can't be the Budweiser Racing Rankings, or whatever."

The NTRA war chest, which could approach \$25 million this year and \$35 million next year through financial input from virtually every segment of the Thoroughbred racing industry, projects about \$2.5 million in 1998 corporate sponsorships. Smith said he'll spend the coming months trying to cull "seven-figure" commitments from corporate entities, with a particular eye on the telecommunications and consumer electronics firms that loom as natural bedfellows.

"The [racing] industry has gotten pessimistic, in some cases justifiably, and in some cases just through sort of cumulative discouragement," Smith said. "But the fact is, it's a big industry that has very interesting and impressive purchasing power if it does some things together. . . The industry has more going for it than I think even it realizes."

"This blew my mind: Hollywood Park owns a 1,000 television monitors. So we're working on a consumer electronics sponsorship."

Smith can't help but think that way. The kid from Washington, D.C., who loved Bill Hartack and Silky Sullivan grew up to become



Barry Weisbord, founder of ill-fated ACRS, said, "Everybody moves around in other pro sports. . ."

chief operating officer for the PGA Tour, helped reorganize men's tennis in the 1990s and designed the marketing plan for the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. Each enterprise is heavily dependent on corporate funding.

The NTRA also plans to secure smaller commitments from official suppliers whose products integrate with racing. "Very importantly, they truly do become the preferred supplier," Smith said. "We harness this buying power.

"Fundamentally, the business proposition is, they give us some of their marketing dollars to help us stimulate the sport as a whole, and they're really investing in us. And then we drive not only awareness and media back to them, we deliver incremental business by consolidating the purchasing power of the industry."

In its first year of existence, the NTRA will receive, beyond any corporate backing, \$5 million each from the nation's race tracks and horsemen's associations; an anticipated \$3.5 million from breeders' organi-

zations; \$2.2 million from individuals and racing associations that comprise the NTRA's founding members; \$2.1 million from sales companies; \$1 million each from off-track betting networks and ODS Technologies; an estimated \$850,000 from individual horsemen, \$760,000 from merchandising and licensing; and approximately \$750,000 each from veterinary groups and miscellaneous contributions.

From that total, the NTRA will spend about \$10 million on advertising this year and \$5 million on marketing—"literally buying our way for

additional television exposure," Smith said.

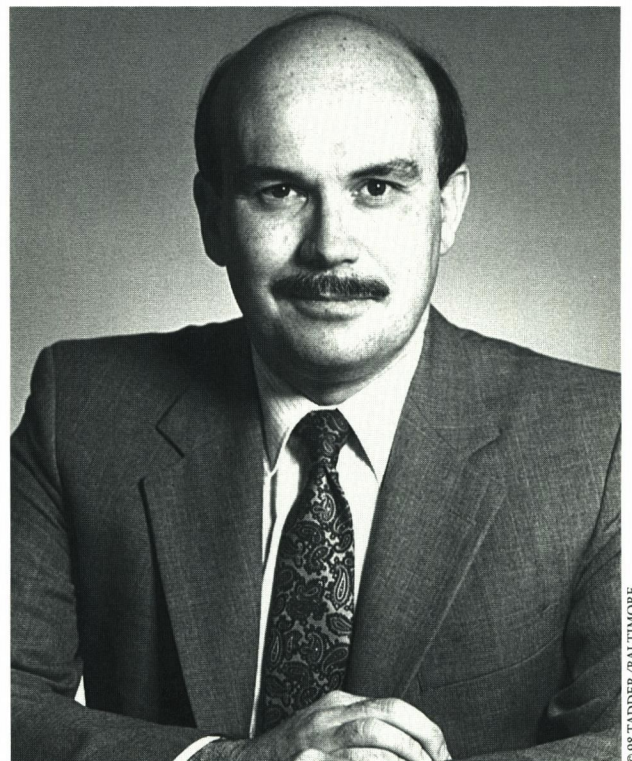
That theoretical \$10-million advertising fund could nearly double in 1998 through an industry phenomenon known as co-opping, which works like this: A track pays the NTRA, say, \$300,000 in annual dues. The NTRA, in turn, guarantees that it will spend 50 percent of that, or \$150,000, in the track's advertising market by using one of its national spots tagged with a seven-to-ten-second local message. In addition, if the track were to pledge a three-for-one advertising match on the remaining budgeted dollars—in this case,

take \$450,000 to run additional NTRA creative spots—the NTRA will match that expenditure as well.

"All of our budgeting and planning assumed that people would stop at the three-to-one match because there was no more benefit from our dollars on a matching basis," Smith said. Not so. Churchill Downs and Hollywood Park are among the tracks gearing virtually their entire advertising budgets to the national campaign. According to Smith, Hollywood estimates that it could save \$125,000 in production costs that way.

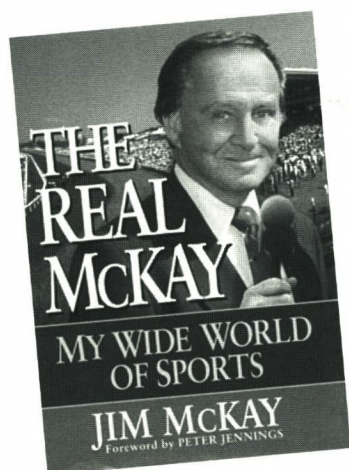
An incident at a Southern California race track some years ago taught Smith never to underestimate the power of television. He was at Del Mar or Santa Anita—he can't remember which—when his then-8-year-old daughter pointed across the paddock toward trainer Charlie Whittingham. "Look, dad," she said, to her father's amazement. "There's the Bald Eagle."

She had seen him on TV. ❖



"Go baby go was music to my ears," said ad executive Bob Leffler, whose agency is employed by Maryland tracks.

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Some storytellers worthy of the name

The Real McKay. Jim McKay. Foreword by Peter Jennings. 1998. Dutton, New York, N.Y. \$24.95.

Even as a young man, Jim McManus had class. His smile, his wit, his sincerity gave him an aura that made him the number one candidate for everything. Executive editor Neil Swanson really couldn't have chosen anyone other than Jim to be the city's first television personality. Among the hundred or so reporters working for the Baltimore *Sunpapers* in 1946, McManus was the rookie standout.

Now, at age 76, Jim tells us about his life. Mostly, it's a tale of covering the sports beat for ABC and recalling highlights from *Wide World of Sports*. But there is much more to this book than sports history. We see Jim's life as it unfolds—uncertain about the future, unemployed, scared, nervous breakdown, recovery and triumph. Had it not been for Margaret, his wife of 50 years, he would have failed. Throughout the book there is an underlying theme—intense love between two people who fought the world together. And they won everything they set out to achieve—fame, fortune, children, grandchildren and a worshipful television audience.

McManus (his TV name is, of course, McKay) begins his book with an account of the 1972 Munich Olympics during which Palestinian terrorists murdered 11 Israeli competitors. This tragic day marked Jim's finest hour as a reporter and earned him scores of accolades, including the first of 13 much-treasured Emmys.

After establishing himself to the reader with modest proof of his worthiness by recalling his 15 hours of constant broadcasting during the terrorist attack, McManus drops his narrative back to his childhood in Philadelphia and gives a

quick insight into his career at Baltimore's Loyola College, where he admits he was "president and star of the drama club, proved a good debater, and was sports editor of the college paper and P.A. announcer at the basketball games. I was even elected president of the senior class."

After a three and a half-year stint in the Navy during World War II, Jim was hired as a reporter at age 26 by Ed Young, the Baltimore *Evening Sun's* city editor. Told by Young to sit at a desk where boxing gloves were painted on the chair, Jim settled in as though it were his permanent seat in the over-crowded newsroom. So it came to him as a jolt a few days later when a soft feminine voice spoke to him from behind his back, saying: "Excuse me, but I think you have my chair." Her name was Margaret Dempsey. They married in 1948.

From start to finish, this is a wonderful book written by a sensitive and articulate human being.

To me, the best pages are the ones about horse racing. Of particular joy was a conversation with the late Eddie Arcaro. McManus tells it like this: "[Arcaro] told me of the time he almost drowned on the race course. Thrown from his mount on a muddy track, he fell face forward into a puddle, unconscious. 'When I woke up,' said Arcaro, 'I was breathing water and for a moment, I couldn't move. I remember exactly what I thought. [It was] that I had been riding these ornery critters for 25 years, and now I'm going to drown and some blond, curly-haired son of a bitch is going to marry my wife Ruth and get all my money.'"

There were, of course, scores of interviews with all types of athletes, even the fellow who was crowned champion of the Demolition Derby in Islip, Long Island. Jim reports that he approached this interview with tongue in cheek. Stepping carefully over scraps of mangled automotive body parts, he got to what was left of the winning vehicle and, with an uncharacteristic smirk, asked the driver how he had managed to win this seemingly ridiculous event two years in a row.

Quite earnestly, and in a touchingly proud tone of voice, the winner replied: "Well I worked real hard on getting my car ready—and I go to church a lot."

/ Snowden Carter

Retired editor of *The Maryland Horse magazine*, Snowden Carter was a *Sunpapers* colleague of McManus (McKay) in the 1940s.



The Names They Give Them. Compiled by J.B. Faulconer. Edited by Jim and Suzanne Bolus. 1998. Johnson Press, Albany, N.Y. \$19.95

With groundwork by one Eclipse award winner—the late journalist/historian Jim Bolus—and direction from another—J.B. Faulconer (1987 Eclipse award of merit)—this volume was bound to be something special.

It explains (or makes an educated guess at) the derivation of the names of all Thoroughbreds who are members of the Racing Hall of Fame, Thoroughbred Racing Associations/*Daily Racing Form* divisional champions, horses of the year, leading sires, millionaires and winners of the Kentucky Derby, Preakness, Belmont, Breeders' Cup races and Eclipse awards. A few examples:

CITATION: Named by Mrs. Otto W. Lehmann, a close friend of owner Warren Wright and his wife. "It was during the war when you were hearing a lot about citations," Mrs. Lehmann was quoted as saying in an article in *The Blood-Horse* magazine. "It seemed a good name for a good race horse; an honorable mention for distinguished performance."

GENUINE RISK: "...The 'genuine' related to the filly's nice, old-fashioned, proven bloodlines. The 'risk' related to the chances always taken when purchasing a horse at auction," wrote Susan Grant, administrative assistant for Mr. and Mrs. Bertram Firestone's Catoctin Stud.

STYMIE: Helen Groves: "In so far as I know, my mother Mrs. Robert J. Kleberg named Stymie. She probably thought of Stop Watch, the name of the dam, and perhaps had sent several names in and felt stymied—I'm not sure."



Saluter, Rowdy Irishman soar to ever-greater heights

by Joe Clancy Jr.

IN STEEPLECHASING, MAY BELONGED to two veterans—one who amazingly found the key to a major timber race for the fifth consecutive year and another who found redemption in a Grade 1 hurdle score.

Ann and Henry Stern's Saluter opened the month with a triumphant march in the \$40,000 Virginia Gold Cup, his fifth consecutive victory in the four-mile timber race, on May 2 at Great Meadow in Virginia. The win confirmed Saluter's place as the best timber horse of his generation, and retired the gold cup to the Sterns' Richmond, Va., home.

A week later, Vesta Balestiere's Rowdy Irishman erased lopsided defeats in the Carolina Cup and Royal Chase by winning the \$100,000 Iroquois Steeplechase May 9 at Nashville, Tenn. America's longest hurdle race (three miles) ideally suited the distance-loving Rowdy Irishman, who jumped the last on even terms with 1996 Eclipse award winner Correggio (Ire) and the upset-minded Confidente (Chi). The 9-year-old's never-give-up attitude won a battle of wills through the stretch.

The rest of May included a revival of sorts for trainer Tom Voss, who won seven races to tie the quick-starting Sanna Neilson with ten victories on the year. The defending NSA trainer champion won two at Iroquois, two at Radnor and three at Fair Hill. Voss's success spilled over to stable jockey Jonathan Kiser, who won eight in the month to reel in early leader Craig Thornton.

Off the race course, the NSA refused to sanction two hurdle races at Willowdale (May 10) after natural fences were unveiled five days before the race. Tanglewood's May 9 meet was postponed to June 6 due to heavy rains and flooding, and another lengthy summer schedule (with stops at five race tracks) was announced.

Saluter gets his Gold

When the Pittsburgh Steelers, winners of four NFL world championships in the 1970s, were in their glory years, players chanted "One for the Thumb" in reference to the Super Bowl rings handed out in honor of the big game. They had four, and merely wanted a fifth to complete the set.

The Steelers, whose thumbs are still bare, could have used Saluter. The 9-year-old timber record holder (\$298,089 in lifetime earnings) won his fifth consecutive Virginia Gold Cup—an amazing 20-mile run over 115 fences—in an inspiring effort.

Saluter had proven mortal in the past two seasons, missing the second half of 1996 with a tendon injury and suffering two lopsided losses last fall.

Despite winning the Gold Cup, England's Marlborough Cup and the \$100,000 Holland and Holland World Timber Championship bonus last year, he entered 1998 behind a storm of questions.

Consider them answered. Saluter won at Middleburg in his typical Gold Cup prep April 18, then smoked another overmatched field at Great Meadow.

Trainer/jockey Jack Fisher pumped his fist, threw his whip and smiled along with the 42,000 on hand. "The acceleration that this horse has is amazing," said Fisher, on board for 15 of Saluter's 17 career timber wins. "From the second-to-last to the last it's just incredible, without really being asked. It's like taking off in a jet."

The Gold Cup, all 30 inches and \$40,000 historic value of it, went home with the Sterns. The five straight wins in a race as important as the Gold Cup outdistance any other steeplechase streak. Nobody won five, period. Fours come from Flatterer in the Colonial Cup, Mountain Dew in the Maryland Grand National timber race, Sam Son of a Gun in the My

Lady's Manor, Private Gary in the Bowman Bowl.

Saluter's magic ended in England, however, as he fell while attempting to win a second straight Marlborough Cup and World Timber Championship on May 24. America's hero fell for the first time in his career while commencing his late charge four fences from home.

Rowdy's revenge

You could almost hear Rowdy Irishman laughing after winning the \$100,000 Iroquois, the season's fourth Grade 1 stakes, on May 9. He had done it again—added another phenomenal chapter to an already amazing life story. You may know it, but it's worth retelling.

In order, Rowdy Irishman:

- ◆ Lost 17 consecutive flat races on the Kentucky-Ohio circuit.

- ◆ Was purchased for \$1,500 by steeplechase trainer Bruce Haynes, who sold a half-interest in the horse to owner Vesta Balestiere in 1993.

- ◆ Won his steeplechase debut at Tryon, N.C., in 1994 and added two seconds and two thirds to his rookie year.

- ◆ Emerged in 1995, winning back-to-back spring novice stakes, placing third in the Grade 1 New York Turf Writers Cup, upsetting October's Grade 1 Breeders' Cup Grand National and finishing second to Lonesome Glory in the year-end Colonial Cup.

- ◆ Won the Grade 2 Temple Gwathmey in early 1996, before enduring an 11-race losing streak that lasted through most of 1997.

- ◆ Ended the slump in style with a second Grand National win under new jockey Sean Clancy and just missed in the Colonial Cup, falling a half-length shy of an Eclipse award.

- ◆ Opened 1998 with two awful races in the Carolina Cup and the Royal Chase (beaten a combined 43 lengths). Renewed

his faith under another new jockey, Cort Marzullo (Clancy chose To Ridley), in the Iroquois and moved to fourth on the all-time steeplechase earnings list with just under \$500,000.

The Iroquois produced the perfect circumstances for Rowdy Irishman, a 9-year-old son of Erins Isle (Ire) who loves distance (three miles), soft turf (loads of rain) and passing horses who can't match his stamina (Confidente-Chi and Correggio-Ire). Known universally as the sport's ultimate "tryer," the big bay showcased his relentless charge in the Iroquois.

"When he knows he's in the race, he can sense the other horses are starting to come back to him a little bit," said Haynes. "He's got a competitive side he doesn't really show the way other horses do, but he wanted to win (the Iroquois) or he wouldn't have."

The victory gave steeplechasing four Grade 1 winners in four races, leaving the championship picture in disarray with four \$100,000 races remaining. Rowdy Irishman earned a break as Haynes plans a fall campaign for his stable star.

The rest of the story

The \$100,000 Iroquois headlined the year's second-richest meet, which featured four stakes and \$270,000 in total purses. Mimi Voss's Teb's Bend emerged from a tightly packed group with a powerful late run to win the \$50,000 Margaret Henley Novice Stakes. Maryland's steeplechase champion in 1997, Teb's Bend avenged a loss in the Sport of Kings novice opener at Atlanta and stamped himself a future open stakes contender with the nearly six-length win over Hokan, Rarity Bay and 1997 NSA 3-year-old champion Plumb Bob.

Even Voss was impressed.

"He's awful good I think," the trainer said. "That was a grand performance, giving away weight (three to 16 pounds) and in this kind of ground. And he's improving—he's a much better jumper this year."

Teb's Bend, another talented homebred to come from the Vosses' Atlanta Hall Farm, passed the \$100,000 mark in steeplechase earnings with his fourth win.

Veteran Talkin Butter continued to outrun his age with a win in the \$40,000 Mason Houghland Memorial over timber. Now 12, the son of Exceller won for the second time this year and 13th time in his career to lift his career earnings to \$235,555. Once a talented hurdle stakes horse, Talkin Butter appears to have found a second home over timber for trainer Charlie Fenwick.



Saluter, with trainer/rider Jack Fisher, retires the Virginia Gold Cup. Sen. John Warner (right) makes presentation to owners Ann and Henry Stern (second and third from left). Also participating in the celebration were (from left): Virginia's Lt. Gov. John Hager, Fisher and Pete Collins, vice-president of Mercedes Benz.

DOUGLAS LEE (2)

Previously owned by Lois Duffey, "Butter" now runs in the silks of Fenwick's wife Sherry. The Nashville win belonged to Talkin Butter, according to jockey Jonathan Kiser. "I was lucky to be his partner," said Kiser, who picked up the ride when J.W. Delozier was hurt a week earlier. "Every time I would try to ask him for a jump he would stand off too far and mess it up. So I just sat for the last turn. He did it all."

The first stakes at the Iroquois served up an emotional win for the Miller family as Linnie Scott's Serenity Prayer dominated the two-mile Marcellus Frost, a \$30,000 Grade 3 event. The win was the first for trainer Bruce Miller and jockey/son Chip since the death of assistant trainer Trish Daniels in an accident April 26.

The impact was obvious. "I was crying before we got to the last fence," said Chip.

Serenity Prayer, the 1996 NSA novice champion, won for the ninth time—the first time in a year. Like Talkin Butter, Serenity Prayer did much of the decision-making himself. Shadowing pacesetter Hudson Bay for much of the race's early stages, Serenity Prayer moved to the front with a ground-gaining leap at the second fence on the backstretch. "Come on Chip, it's time," he said, passing Hudson Bay and essentially ending the race.

"I just had to hang on at that point—sit and steer," said Miller. "I knew I was letting him go a little early, but it's easy to trust a horse like this."

A week after Nashville, Radnor served up two stakes on a rich \$145,000 day in suburban Philadelphia May 16. The \$35,000 National Hunt Cup-NSA3 showcased a strong three-way match between highweights Mario (Ire) (156 pounds), Brigade of Guards (154) and Serenity Prayer (152). The performance added a cool breeze on an otherwise sweltering day.

Carrying the pace from the outset, Brigade of Guards (Kiser) shook off Serenity Prayer's challenge over the final two fences and kept 1997 race winner Mario safe with a gutsy stretch run to win by four and a half lengths. Owned by The Fields Stable of Betty and Laddie Merck, Brigade of Guards prevailed because of his jumping and ability to relax while setting a quick pace.

A little attitude didn't hurt. "I think he felt like he had something to prove," said Kiser, whose horse opened 1998 with two straight losses. "When Serenity Prayer came to me, I could feel my horse jump back up in the bridle and really go



SARAH LIBBEY GREENHALGH

Brigade of Guards (Jonathan Kiser), left, outgames Serenity Prayer (Chip Miller).



DOUGLAS LEES

Trainer Tom Voss and rider Jonathan Kiser vaulted to the top of NSA standings.



TOM HAYNES

Rowdy Irishman, right, collars Confidente, left, and Correggio at the final fence.

NSA POINT STANDINGS

(through May 31)

Trainers

	Sts	1st	2nd	3rd	Money	Pct
Tom Voss	30	10	9	2	\$272,175	.30
Sanna Neilson	26	10	5	4	152,125	.38
Jack Fisher	38	6	5	4	130,900	.16
Charlie Fenwick	22	6	1	1	77,275	.27
Ricky Hendriks	28	4	6	5	66,700	.14
Bruce Haynes	26	4	4	2	115,850	.15
Kathy Lewis	24	4	0	4	39,150	.17
Bruce Miller	29	3	7	6	88,725	.10
Jonathan Sheppard	38	3	5	9	121,300	.08
Toby Edwards	18	3	5	1	54,700	.17

Jockeys

	Sts	1st	2nd	3rd	Money	Pct
Jonathan Kiser	35	10	8	2	\$271,125	.29
Craig Thornton	27	9	6	5	183,575	.33
Sean Clancy	31	7	6	3	107,075	.23
Toby Edwards	27	5	6	1	69,475	.19
J.W. Delozier	28	5	3	2	60,410	.18
Cort Marzullo	29	5	1	7	123,550	.17
Arch Kingsley	35	4	8	7	187,800	.11
Michael Traurig	28	4	4	6	83,300	.16
Troy Lively	28	4	1	3	32,300	.14
Chip Miller	34	3	6	8	88,625	.08

Owners

	Sts	1st	2nd	3rd	Money	Pct
Bill Lickle	28	5	8	5	\$186,450	.18
Augustin Stable	34	10	5	7	165,750	.29
Greg Bentley	5	3	0	0	133,540	.60
Vesta Balestiere	6	2	0	1	85,750	.33
Warren Dempsey	8	2	1	0	78,550	.25
Ann Stern	16	4	3	1	74,050	.25
Mimi Voss	6	3	1	1	53,000	.50
The Fields Stable	3	1	1	0	49,350	.33
Linnie Scott	5	1	3	1	44,500	.20
Calvin Houghland	6	0	1	2	40,600	.00

Horses

	Sts	1st	2nd	3rd	Money	Pct
Clearance Code	2	1	0	0	\$103,540	.50
Master McGrath	2	1	1	0	93,400	.50
Rowdy Irishman	3	1	0	0	65,000	.33
Soaringoverseattle	1	1	0	0	60,000	1.00
Brigade of Guards	3	1	1	0	49,350	.33
Serenity Prayer	3	1	1	1	41,500	.33
Indomitable	3	2	1	0	37,000	.66
Teb's Bend	2	1	1	0	37,000	.50
Confidente (Chi)	2	0	1	1	36,700	.00
Saluter	2	2	0	0	36,000	1.00

nor Hunt Cup over timber. Literally. Petty rallied Greg Bentley's Bryan Station late in the three and a half-mile race and caught Floating Interest to score by a neck for trainer Rusty Carrier. The win continued a hot streak for the horse's connections, who teamed up to take the Royal Chase at Keeneland with Clearance Code in late April and won Great Meadow's \$25,000 NationsBank Cup with Bryan Station via disqualification two weeks before Radnor.

It gets better.

Carrier's wife Joy purchased a raffle ticket on a new Volkswagen beetle for Petty and handed it to the jockey as a congratulatory gift. Three races later, Petty was driving around the winner's circle in the \$20,000 car.

When the entries came out, the \$25,000 Coca-Cola Stakes at High Hope (Lexington, Ky.) looked like a race worth much more. Master McGrath and Serenity Prayer scratched, however, leaving Sundin (GB) to play in the two and a half-mile feature. Augustin Stable's 7-year-old frontrunner easily handled six rivals, including 1997 winner Prime Legacy. Kiser piloted the winner for trainer Jonathan Sheppard. "He was a sweet ride," said Kiser. "The less I moved the better he went."

Fair Hill, the usual spring closer with an eight-race flat and jump card, settled for being second-to-last on the schedule thanks to Tanglewood's move to June 6. Bruno Favre's Melissa's Quickie upset the feature, the \$25,000 Miles Valentine Novice Stakes. Ridden by Peter Walsh, Melissa's Quickie shot to the lead leaving the backstretch and held on for a half-length decision over Commanders Palace. A winner at Middleburg in April, Melissa's Quickie improved to two-for-two this year.

May notes

Spring is for newcomers, and 1998 was no different. A few May maiden winners to expect good things from: Spring Salute, Sky Buster and Maipo. . . Veteran jockey Dick McWade piloted Susan Mills Stone's Temperance Night to an allowance win at Marengo on May 16. Trained by McWade's wife Barbara, Temperance Night ran his 1998 mark to two-for-two after failing in five 1997 starts. . . Jockey Sean Clancy tripled at Radnor, winning three maiden races. . . Steeplechase warriors Summer Island, Dalton River (Chi) and Doubledarn all picked up their second 1998 wins during the month. ♦

for it. When he has his confidence and has been dragging you the whole way, I don't think there's any horse who can stay with him."

The wire-to-wire win looked eerily similar—to the competition—to Brigade of Guards's scores in the Indian River and Noel Laing last year. Purchased out of the Rokeby Stable dispersal for just \$19,000 in 1995, the 6-year-old (who tied for second in balloting for an Eclipse award last year) lifted his career steeplechase earnings past the \$200,000 mark with his sev-

enth win (four stakes). Saratoga, and a chance at a second straight A.P. Smithwick victory, calls next for the son of Eastern Echo.

Brigade of Guards has never won a Grade 1 stakes, and started 1998 with losses in major races, but is more than a second-teamer. "He's very close to being a top, top horse," said Voss. "I don't know how far he wants to run, and that might be his only drawback."

Jockey Jody Petty drove away with Radnor's other stakes, the \$25,000 Rad-

Jump races provide lucrative alternative

by Joe Clancy Jr.

SAY YOU BREED THOROUGHbred race horses. "I breed Thoroughbred race horses." Good.

Now, say a horse you breed wins a steeplechase race. "A horse I breed wins a steeplechase race." Very good.

Smile when you say that. "Cheese." Now we're getting somewhere.

You won't receive a hefty bonus check in the mail from a generous breeders' fund, but your stallion or your mare or your sales statistics will look a little brighter in the morning. Thank steeplechasing, your new-found source for breeding success. Like discovering a wad of bills in the dryer. Getting extra change from the Pepsi machine. Ever have the person in front of you pay your toll?

Steeplechasing just paid your toll.

The average purse in 92 steeplechase races this spring—\$22,000—stands up with all but the best flat race tracks in the country. That's \$13,200 to the owner—and your breeding statistics. Four horses (four stallions, four breeders) won \$100,000 steeplechase races through May. You think the people at Margaux Farm (home of Cryptoclearance) didn't smile a little when the sire's son Clearance Code won the \$150,000 Royal Chase at Keeneland in April? Virginia sire Whatever For picked up a stakes win and \$30,000 in progeny earnings when Teb's Bend scored in a novice hurdle May 9 in Tennessee—a state with no pari-mutuel wagering. Another son, Sky Buster, won a \$15,000 maiden hurdle May 25 at Fair Hill.

Consider the alternative. Clearance Code was a nice flat horse—earned \$167,000 or so and even placed in a stakes. But his prospects of a \$100,000 payday were no better than your average Powerball player. Teb's Bend won one flat race, a Saratoga maiden special going long on the grass, before switching to steeplechasing. Six starts, four wins, a second, a third and \$116,000 later he's a star.

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Nobody tries to breed steeplechasers, you say. "Nobody tries to breed. . ." That's enough out of you already.

All but a few steeplechase horses begin life as flat prospects. And every foal born this spring points for the 2001 Kentucky Derby. Realistically, it's prudent to think of a breeding program as a factory for flat horses. But don't close the steeplechase door. It can happen—and it can help.

Mimi Voss, breeder and owner of Teb's Bend and Sky Buster, helps put several foals on the ground every year at Atlanta Hall Farm in Monkton, Md. The horses, trained by Voss's husband Tom, grow up with dual career paths. They usually race on the flat, and get a chance over jumps depending on their success. Teb's Bend won two races at Saratoga last year—one of each variety.

Top steeplechase owner George Strawbridge annually finishes at or near the top of Pennsylvania's breeder standings. He also ranks in the top 15 nationally among owners each year. Steeplechasing provides another avenue of production for quality horses who might otherwise gradually slide down flat racing's ladder.

So why don't more owners pursue the double career with their horses? Why don't breeders smile at the chance of added income from a steeplechase horse?

Knowledge, recognition, money.

Outside of a small core of Mid-Atlantic horsemen, few flat owners see steeplechasing as an option. They simply don't know enough about the sport to think their horse can do it. Flat trainers don't want to see a paying customer leave the barn, so they don't bring jumps into the equation. So potential steeplechasers—and potential money earners—languish.

Just two state associations (Maryland and Virginia) hand out steeplechase awards at the end of the year. I don't suggest every state create a jumper of the year award, but an occasional nod to top steeplechase performances would recognize owners, remind breeders and encourage everybody. It would be easy.

Want proof? For 1997, I give you the steeplechaser of the year awards for Florida (Soaringoverseattle—four wins, \$86,250), New York (Hurler—two wins, \$37,750), Pennsylvania (Green Highlander—three wins, \$59,750), Michigan (Serenity Prayer—two wins, \$56,669), Kentucky (take your pick).

Steeplechasing has no big-ticket race. No Derby. No Breeders' Cup Classic. A marquee event, perhaps Keeneland's race will develop into such, would help sell the concept of steeplechasing to breeders and owners. State breeders' fund programs encourage the breeding and racing of flat horses in various jurisdictions, while steeplechase breeders go it alone.

There may be no official encouragement program, but the rewards are there for steeplechase horses and breeders. All you have to do is look. "All I have to do is look." You said it. ♦

Rich pastures can be a losing proposition for breeders

by Heather Smith Thomas

LUSH GREEN PASTURES, OR overfeeding mares on high quality alfalfa hay, can sometimes cause abortions in pregnant mares. In years with an early spring, or above average summer rainfall, or wet fall weather that leads to prolific regrowth of pastures, there is often a higher incidence of fetal loss or abortion.

This syndrome was first documented in 1979, when there was a sudden increase in early fetal losses on many breeding farms in the Northeast and Atlantic Coast regions. There was an early spring that year, and grass grew rapidly. Mares were on very lush pastures. Bluegrass pasture, for instance, can be as high as 30 percent protein in early spring when growing rapidly; the protein content drops to about 15 percent in summer when grass is not so lush and not growing so fast. The 30 percent protein level is too high for a pregnant mare.

The relationship between high protein levels and abortions was discovered by the research veterinarians who examined many of the aborted fetuses that spring, after they found that the common factor in the death losses was bacterial placentitis. The mares' placentas had become infected by bacteria entering the uterus through an open cervix. The infections killed the fetuses. The mares' cervixes were opening in early pregnancy due to the high protein content in lush pastures.

The pregnant mare's cervix should remain tightly closed all through gestation. But if hormone levels and high protein in the feed she is eating cause her to cycle (even though she is already pregnant),

If you limit a mare's time on green pasture when it is growing the fastest, and select hay that is not too rich, you will eliminate the risk of protein-caused abortions.

the cervix relaxes. This allows bacteria to enter the uterus and infect the placenta and the fetus.

Lush green plants also contain estrogens. The combination of hormones and protein can help trigger a mare to cycle. This is one reason that the natural breeding season for mares is April, May and June; not only is a mare's body programmed for highest fertility and reproduction at that time (due to lengthening days, which stimulate her endocrine glands to signal the ovaries to become active again), but the green pastures prepare her for breeding. This works fine—unless the mare has already been bred, early in the season. Then the hormones and protein level may cause her to lose the pregnancy when she comes into heat.

Fall abortions may also occur in years with wet fall weather that encourages lush regrowth of pastures, creating spring-like conditions that can lead to changes in the

ovaries and cervix. And there are also instances of similar losses of pregnancies when mares are fed rich alfalfa hay that is exceptionally high in protein.

To prevent this situation and guard against early pregnancy loss, it may be necessary to limit a mare's time at pasture under lush growing conditions, and feed her good hay instead—a mix of grass and legume hay in which the total protein level does not exceed her nutrient requirements.

Hay can be tested for protein content if you wish. But you can be assured of safe limits by feeding a mix of good grass and legume hay, or first-cutting alfalfa that contains a high proportion of grass. Second and third-cutting is generally too rich

unless it was cut when well mature, already bloomed (in which case the protein level will have dropped, but so will its palatability).

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Kentucky Derby/Preakness illustrate several current trends

by Jay Leimbach

REAL QUIET'S ASSAULT ON the Triple Crown highlights many recurring trends among recent classic winners. He became the fifth Mr. Prospector-line colt to win the Kentucky Derby in the decade of the '90s, and the third from the line of Mr. Prospector's son Fappiano.

Remarkably, Real Quiet and Victory Gallop, who ran one-two in all three Triple Crown races, are both grandsons of Fappiano: the former by Quiet American, the latter by Cryptoclearance.

For the 19th consecutive year since Spectacular Bid in 1979, both the 2-year-old champion and the betting favorite in the Derby failed to bring home the roses, as another late-blooming colt won the Derby. Real Quiet was never better than third in his first six lifetime starts, and he became the eighth horse in the last nine years to win the Derby coming off a losing prep race. Meanwhile, Indian Charlie and Favorite Trick, the betting favorite and the 2-year-old champion, ran third and eighth respectively.

Of the 24 preceding Triple Crown races (1990 through '97), Mr. Prospector-line colts accounted for nine, while Northern Dancer-line colts won eight—giving these two lines a total of 17 out of the 24.

Meanwhile the dominance of the *Nasrullah/Bold Ruler line in the classics has waned sharply, although these bloodlines still produce some hard-hitting, durable horses. Bold Ruler-line colts alone won seven Kentucky Derbys in the 1970s. Since Risen Star won the Preakness and Belmont in '88, only one *Nasrullah-line colt has won a Triple Crown event: A.P. Indy ('92 Belmont).

Remarkably, there have been just two non-Phalaris line winners of Triple

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Crown events in the 1990s. Go for Gin (by Cormorant), and Colonial Affair (by Pleasant Colony), are both *Ribot-line, a male line known for its stamina.

Proponents of inbreeding will be pleased to note that Real Quiet is inbred 4x3 to Raise a Native, and linebred 5x4x5 to Rough'n Tumble. It might be cautioned, however, that Real Quiet was so crooked as a youngster that he needed surgery to straighten his legs. Nevertheless, such inbreeding will sometimes catch lightning in a bottle. Buckpasser and Seattle Slew were both inbred 4x4, Spectacular Bid was inbred 3x3, and Dr. Fager was inbred 3x4.

Real Quiet's pedigree has much in common with the Derby winner Unbridled. Both are Fappiano-line stallions, and both are linebred to Rough'n Tumble. Rough'n Tumble, in turn, was the sire of Dr. Fager and the broodmare sire of In Reality, and these two strains of his blood have proven to be particularly compatible. Rubiano, Cahill Road and

Pentelicus are all similarly linebred to Rough'n Tumble.

Victory Gallop's sire Cryptoclearance seems to be getting his second wind at stud. His son Traitor, owned by Alfred Vanderbilt, won the Futurity (G1) as a 2-year-old in '96, and another Cryptoclearance colt, Crypto Star, won the Arkansas Derby last year. Cryptoclearance himself is linebred 5x6x4 to *Princequillo, a strong stamina influence. He remained a top race horse through his 5-year-old season, and may be adding some much-needed stamina and durability to the Mr. Prospector-line.

The big news in pedigree circles, however, was that Real Quiet became only the second horse to win the Derby with a dosage index above 4.00. (See *Shaping the Breed* in the June *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred* for more on dosage.) With a DI of 5.29, Real Quiet joined Strike the Gold (9.00, later revised to 2.60) and Thunder Gulch (4.00) among recent Derby winners with high indexes.

With the growing influence of Mr. Prospector blood, there will almost surely be other high-index Kentucky Derby winners in the near future. Remarkably, five of the top six finishers in this year's Derby were Mr. Prospector-line. In addition to Real Quiet and Victory Gallop, we find Halory Hunter, Cape Town and Parade Ground were all grandsons of Mr. Prospector. Even more remarkably, all five were by different sires. And this does not even include Coronado's Quest, another grandson of Mr. Prospector, who did not start in the Derby, or Souvenir Copy, a son of Mr. Prospector who won the Derby Trial.

As the mystique about dosage and the Kentucky Derby winner grew, there was at least an implication by the proponents

of dosage that 4.00 was somewhere near the average for the breed, and that only race horses with better-than-average stamina indexes could win at a classic distance. During the middle years of this century, however, the average was actually much closer to 1.00, meaning that the typical horse had an equal balance of speed and stamina dosage points in its pedigree.

In recent years, the average dosage index has climbed to about 2.40 for North American Thoroughbreds. (This number is still somewhat lower in Europe, where stamina influences still flourish.) Consequently the large majority of American race horses still have a DI below 4.00, including more than 80 percent of the Derby starters in the 1990s.

This year's top 3-year-olds reflect the ever-climbing dosage figures. Note that as a group their average is significantly above 2.40, and the first five finishers in this year's Derby all had dosage indexes above 2.40.

Dosage indexes of top 1998 3-year-olds

Real Quiet 5.29; Favorite Trick 4.60; Coronado's Quest 3.20; Event of the Year 3.00; Halory Hunter 3.00; Victory Gallop 3.00; Artax 2.69; Cape Town 2.60; Indian Charlie 2.43; Lil's Lad 2.43; Hanuman Highway 2.22; Chilito 1.91; Yarrow Brae 1.91; Comic Strip 1.56; Parade Ground 1.47.

Real Quiet has a DI of 5.29, but that may change. Neither his sire Quiet American, nor his grandsire Fappiano now has chef-de-race status, and therefore neither contributes to his dosage index. Both have shown the ability to throw distance

winners, however. So has his broodmare-sire Believe It, another non-chef, who ran third to Affirmed and Alydar in both the Derby and Preakness.

In fact, none of the six ancestors in the first two generations of Real Quiet's pedigree contributes any dosage points, which is an occasional weakness in the theory. Dosage index does provide a rough shorthand to a horse's aptitude,

but discretion is needed in interpreting individual cases.

A final overview of the bloodlines shows that of the 21 horses who started in this year's Kentucky Derby and Preakness, seven were Mr. Prospector-line, and another seven were Northern Dancer line. The *Turn-to-line had three credits, and the *Nasrullah-line two. Remarkably, all 21 were Phalaris-line. ♦



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Atlantic City closes without fanfare

by Bill Mooney

Atlantic City

Search and Burn is a 7-year-old mare who was in for a \$16,000 claiming tag, not the sort of horse who would normally run her way into the history books. But on Saturday, May 30, she earned at least a footnote. With jockey Travis Wales in the irons, Search and Burn won what was almost assuredly the last race ever to be carded at Atlantic City race course. Weather hazy, temperature steamy, turf course firm. The mare clocked a time of 1:37½ for her one-mile tour around the greensward. After 53 seasons, Atlantic City's days as an operating race track had come to an end.

Afterwards, Wales, who is 22 years old and originally from Yakima, Wash., hung around the winner's circle for a half-hour signing autographs. The program had listed him aboard Erins Reality, a 20-1 shot, in the final race. But Jocy Gomez, scheduled to ride favored Search and Burn, wasn't there. So Wales switched mounts, and won, as Erins Reality, in the hands of another rider, finished up the course. Stewards normally don't allow last minute changes of this nature, but they did as the sun was setting at Atlantic City.

As Wales tended to the requests of his admirers, a security guard impatiently stood in the background, shifting her weight from one foot to another. She appeared annoyed. When Longacres near Seattle, Wash., closed down in September 1992, patrons were invited to take a walk around the dirt oval after the final race was declared official. Thousands did. But no such concession was made to Atlantic City's devotees. Those who wanted to linger a bit and reflect upon their memories were told by the guard, "The track is closed. You have to leave." So much for nostalgia.

Indeed, the finale was staged amidst neither a bang nor a whimper. It just sort of happened. A five-day meet was run involving 43 races, all but two of which were on the turf. Claimers with tags as low as \$4,000 competed at sprint and route distances, over what still might be the finest turf course in the land. The daily purse distribution averaged \$60,500.

The highlight was the Stanley Panco Maiden Stakes for New Jersey-breds, an event that gave new definition to the word "overnight," since it did not appear in Atlantic City's condition book. The \$18,000-added race, run on May 28, was named in honor (or perhaps in lighthearted dishonor) of the executive director of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association of New Jersey. The winner was a gelding named Over Protected, who is out of Plain All Over, New Jersey's 2-year-old champ back in 1989.

Media coverage was extensive: Atlantic City, during its final five days, received more press than it has during the past five years. On closing day, a crowd of 6,219 was announced. It might have been larger than that. It might have been somewhat smaller. There were no turnstiles in use, nor any other method of counting people as they came in. Admission was free. So was parking. Wagering for the eight-race program totaled \$468,089, easily the highest figure for any Atlantic City card since at least the start of this decade.

Track management dubbed the mini-meet "Five Days of Fury," but did little to dramatize the occasion. A sign at the parking lot entrance informed passersby that there would be simulcasting this day. No mention was made of a live card. Another sign, hanging over a grandstand entrance, proclaimed that Atlantic City was the "home of the Caesars International-G1." But Caesars ended its eight-year sponsorship of the event after the culmination of last season, and no attempt was made to find another underwriter this

year. The historic race, initially called the United Nations Handicap (it was first run in 1953), was simply deep-sixed.

None of the odds boards inside the grandstand and clubhouse was operable. The section of the infield tote board that broke down the wagering pools had been gutted as well. Hands were missing from clocks. Chips of blue paint hung from iron girders. The outdoor benches were in extensive need of sanding and painting. Floral boxes were gone; the attachments that held them protruded starkly from the box seat area. In the infield, Old Glory flew atop a rusting flag pole. Overall, the place reminded one of a once great luxury ocean liner that had been towed to its final berth at a wrecking yard. "Good afternoon, ladies and gentlemen, and welcome to the final day of racing at Atlantic City Race Course," said announcer Larry Lederman via public address.

Tables were set up hawking leftovers from every promotional giveaway that Atlantic City had conducted in recent times. A T-shirt cost \$10; a rain slicker sold for \$3; a souvenir glass for two bucks. Extra programs from the first four cards of the week were sold for \$1.50 apiece, which was face value. Business was brisk. Not nearly enough mutuel windows were open, and lines of patrons, 15-deep, were continually getting shut out. Prior to the final race, bugler Richard Garrick treated the crowd to a rendition of "Thanks For the Memories."

Many, many families were in attendance with young children. Throughout the afternoon, the kids lined the rails to pat the noses of the ponies that accompanied the race horses to the gate. They also posed for photographs with a man dubbed Mr. Ed Zacta, who strolled around in a furry horse suit, despite the 95-degree heat.

Some perused the framed copies of old newspaper articles that decorate some of the clubhouse walls. A page from the

Atlantic City Press dated July 22, 1946, carried the headline "Dream Of Racing At Atlantic City Comes True With \$3,500,000 Track." Camcorders were in evidence, with folks shooting home videos for future review. Decades from now, they'll say to their grandchildren, "Atlantic City once had a race track, you know. Would you like to see some pictures of it?"

Down on the main line, Dom Yanniello was punching out pari-mutuel tickets. He had worked as a teller at Atlantic City since 1959, and recalls selling a ticket to Milton Berle. "Frank Sinatra, Bob Hope—they were once stockholders in this track, you'd see them here," said Yanniello as he worked at his machine. "Grace Kelly, too. She was beautiful. Her father, Jack Kelly, built this place."

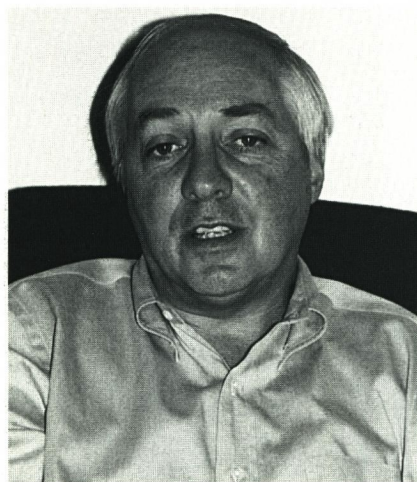
Yanniello gazed around. "Iron and brick, this facility was constructed like a fortress," he said. "Whoever eventually does something with this property, they're going to have a major task in demolishing the main building. Dynamite's the only way they're going to be able to do it."

Up in the press box, the *Daily Racing Form's* national track and field supervisors Jack Wilson and Jack Valentine were tending to chart calling duties. Wilson calling, Valentine taking the calls. Wilson's been with the *Form* for 42 years; Valentine for 25. Wilson's first trip to Atlantic City was in 1958, and he said that he didn't remember much about it, except "the racing was really excellent."

Valentine's first trip to Atlantic City was in 1978. "They wouldn't allow me in the clubhouse because I wasn't wearing a coat and tie," he recalled. As Valentine spoke, water dripped continually from the press box ceiling. A malfunctioning air conditioner, somebody said.

On the same level as the press box, an official from the New Jersey State Horse Racing Commission was trying to explain the track's outlay to a trio of uniformed state policemen. That, said the official, pointing to the five-furlong pole, is where one-mile races start. He then stated that he didn't know what the exact distance of the Kentucky Derby-G1 was, but that each Triple Crown race got longer as the series progressed. The policemen nodded their understanding of his misunderstandings.

In the executive offices, Jim Murphy, Atlantic City's president and chief operating officer, was detailing time and again to reporters the reasons for Atlantic City's demise. Twelve major casinos operate



BILL MOONEY (3)

Families were much in evidence at Atlantic City on closing day, and many fans took home autographs by jockey Travis Wales, who rode the winner of the last live race ever likely to be conducted at the 53-year-old New Jersey track. President and chief operating officer Jim Murphy (left) was resigned to Atlantic City's closing.

within 12 miles of the track. Each has thousands of slot machines. The majority also operate race books. Within New Jersey there are two major tracks, the Meadowlands and Monmouth Park, that are owned and operated by the state itself, and whose needs, in Murphy's assessment, receive preferential treatment from the legislature.

Murphy reminded people of the slot machines at Delaware Park. And of the sophisticated and extensive off-track betting operations in neighboring New York and Pennsylvania. New Jersey, currently, has no such feeder systems. Murphy further reminded people that Atlantic City, in its quest to remain open, has sold off four plots of land during the past dozen years. The \$12 million in revenues that were realized were plowed back into racing.

Plans, at one point, called for a NASCAR track to be built on Atlantic City's grounds. They fell through last winter, and the track has filed a lawsuit in federal court against Bruton Smith and Speedway Motor Sports for alleged breach of contract and fraud. A new agreement has been reached with a real estate developer, Samuel Sobel, from Michigan, for the sale of Atlantic City's remaining 280 acres before this year is out.

Since it did run a live meet in 1998 (albeit one that was shortened from the 30 days that the racing commission initially awarded to five), Atlantic City's management can continue simulcasting races from other locales through December 31 of this year. Murphy estimates that for the whole of '98 Atlantic City will generate purses of \$1.1 million for other Thoroughbred meets in New Jersey.

Murphy and Atlantic City's board chairman Bob Levy both want to continue simulcasting in 1999, and beyond. They are working on a deal with Sobel. They want him to either: (1) as part of the terms of the sale, construct a state-of-the-art simulcasting facility that they would operate; or (2) leave them with four acres of the property, so they could construct and operate such a facility of their own.

But state law comes to bear. Should Sobel agree to either of Murphy and Levy's proposals Atlantic City, in effect, would become an OTB parlor. OTB is not now legal in New Jersey, although: (1) the casino race books operate as such; and (2) a committee called by Governor Christine Todd Whitman, in a report filed earlier this year, recommended the official implementation of OTB.

To make this happen, the statewide electorate would have to authorize the legislature to consider such a move. Murphy says this issue will be on the ballot on November 3. If it passes (a majority from those voting would be needed), the legislature could then consider measures allowing for local referendums, including one in Hamilton Township, which is Atlantic City's locale.

Atlantic City's end as a live racing plant coincides to the week with the 20th anniversary of the opening of New Jersey's first casino on the nearby boardwalk. The Sunday, May 31, 1998, issue of the *Asbury Park Press* contained an editorial praising the casinos for the economic boosts they have brought.

The editorial noted that, in 1997, Atlantic City's casinos and their hotels spent \$1 billion on goods and services within Atlantic County, and contributed \$310 million, via a special tax, towards programs for senior citizens and the disabled. "The casinos have succeeded," stated the editorial, "for themselves and their employees, for their customers, for the people their taxes help, for the economy, and for the state."

No mention was made in the editorial of Atlantic City Race Course.

Charles Town

The news from West Virginia's eastern panhandle is huge. First off, Charles Town has a new president and chief operating officer. His name is **James Buchanan**, and his background provides major clues as to the focus of (Charles Town's owner) Penn National Gaming, Inc.

Buchanan's originally from Florida. He has a degree in marine biology from Florida State University. In his youth, Buchanan used to ride horseback through orange groves. "But I've never been around horse racing," he said. "That's one of the things that attracted me to this opportunity. It's a chance to learn about a different sector of the gaming industry."

There is a sector with which Buchanan is already very familiar. He has served in management roles at casinos in Nevada (Las Vegas and Reno), Arizona and Colorado. During the past five years, he has been with Fitzgerald's Casino and Hotel in Tunica, Miss. Fitzgerald's Hotel has 507 rooms—Buchanan helped oversee its construction. Which brings us to the newest phase of the Penn National agenda.

Plans have been announced for a seven-story, 150-room hotel on the Charles Town property. It will be situated adjacent to the clubhouse turn on the track's six-furlong racing oval. Construction is expected to begin before the year is out, and will take approximately 18 months to complete.

Peter Carlino, Penn National's chairman and chief executive officer, says that his company already has spent \$50 million at Charles Town to purchase and renovate its facilities. The hotel project will add an estimated \$15 million to that figure. It should be noted that Penn National Gaming stock, which trades on the NASDAQ Exchange, was selling as of June 1 for 8¾ per share, well less than half of what it was bringing as recently as last September. Also as of June 1, the stock had a price earnings ratio of 63.

Architectural renderings of the hotel reveal something akin to a California mission design, similar to the new look of Charles Town's grandstand, its video lottery terminal (VLT) complex and some of its barns. VLT machines will be situated within the hotel. Guests will be able to bet on races, both live and simulcast, from their rooms. Balconies will overlook the track. People will be able to sit back, sip cocktails, and watch the sun set beyond the Blue Ridge Mountains, as fields of Charles Town claimers knock heads.

Buchanan will be a key figure in making this happen. An additional factor that drew him to the job, he says, is the history and heritage of the Charles Town/Harpers Ferry area, particularly in regard to the Civil War. He does not foresee the hotel as adversely affecting the tranquility of the region, and emphasizes the boost that theoretically will be provided to the local economy.

Delaware Park

Mike McCarthy, who for the third straight year has a huge lead in the Delaware jockey standings, caught a 14-day suspension from the stewards for what they deemed "extremely careless riding" during the second race on May 10. McCarthy, aboard Freedom Quest, took the lead immediately out of the gate, but suddenly shifted into the path of a horse named Doc's Number at the five and a half-furlong marker. Doc's Number clipped heels with Freedom Quest, then went down, carrying his rider Eric Jones with him. Freedom Quest was

disqualified from first to last position. Doc's Number was shaken but uninjured, as was Jones, who rode the next race.

McCarthy appealed the suspension and was granted a stay. On Wednesday, May 21, he had a half-dozen mounts at Delaware and scored with all of them, thereby becoming the first rider in the track's 62-year history to go six-for-six on a single card. Last year at Delaware, McCarthy recorded six wins (from nine mounts) on the November 2 card, then scored five more the following afternoon. He is in the rare position where the only standards that challenge him are his own.

Devil's Touch, a 5-year-old gelding who hadn't raced in two and a half seasons, drew off to win by six and a quarter lengths in conditioned claiming company on May 18. His authoritative performance didn't seem to surprise anybody. Owned by New Farm and trained by Ben Perkins Sr., Devil's Touch went off as the 4-5 favorite in the field of seven. And, upon exiting the winner's circle, he was halted by **Frank Passero Jr.**, who had taken him for a \$20,000 tag. During the first month of the Delaware meet, Passero claimed ten horses. Devil's Touch brought his total to 11, and climbing.

During the first month of its 1998 meet, the overnight purse distribution at Delaware, for Thoroughbred races only, averaged \$157,538 per day. Six stakes were run, generating an additional \$329,900 in purse monies. The average daily distribution including both sources was \$174,902. Fields averaged only 6.52 horse per race, about the same as Virginia's Colonial Downs did during September and October of last year.

Daily attendance for Delaware's live cards, according to the numbers released by track management, was averaging 5,177. Daily on-site wagering on the live product was averaging \$204,671, which works out to a theoretical per capita of \$39.53. The heavy rain that fell on the East Coast in early May caused problems with the main track. The remainder of the May 12 card was canceled after four races because the mud was so thick and deep that horses were returning from their efforts without any shoes.

As of May 23, Delaware's offerings expanded from four to five live cards per week, adding Wednesdays to a menu that already included Saturdays through Tuesdays. Turf racing returned for the first time this season on May 23.

Garden State

Who Did It and Run, a New Jersey-bred, challenged a field of accomplished male runners and beat them handily, becoming the first filly ever to win the **Jersey Derby-G2** in the 55th running of the race. The \$150,000-guaranteed event on May 22 highlighted the closing week of this year's Garden State meeting. Leading at every call, Who Did It and Run triumphed by four and a quarter lengths. Her time for the mile and a sixteenth Jersey Derby on a turf course rated firm was 1:41½, two-fifths off the course record. As the fourth betting choice in the field of eight, Who Did It and Run returned \$16.60 for a two-dollar win wager. In retrospect, she was the biggest overlay of the meet.

The bunch she beat included the even-money favorite, Cryptic Rascal, who came into the race with five consecutive victories, including triumphs in the Palm Beach-G3 at Gulfstream Park and, most recently, the Forerunner Stakes-G3 at Keeneland. In the Jersey Derby, Cryptic Rascal, ridden by Mike Smith, tried several times to challenge, but he was toting 126 pounds, as compared to Who Did It and Run's 116-pound impost, and finished third.

Essential, who placed in the Laurel Futurity-G3 at Laurel Park last November, finished second in the Jersey Derby under his regular rider, Mike McCarthy. Senor Chop Chop, second in the Forerunner, was fourth this go-round under regular rider Elbar Coa. Chilito, winner

of Hialeah's Flamingo Stakes-G3 in April, came in fifth under regular rider Jerry Bailey. Who Did It and Run, indeed, outdistanced an accomplished field.

Debra Sones, Who Did It and Run's trainer and owner, purchased the filly privately for \$75,000 from breeders Thomas Morton and Bruce Grossman, at Monmouth Park last year. At the time, Who Did It and Run had yet to make her initial career start. Through the Jersey Derby, she had gone postward ten times, scored in six of them, placed once, and earned \$172,080. The daughter of Polish Numbers had won on a fast main track, in the slop, and on yielding and firm turf courses, and had achieved the status of graded stakes winner.

Who Did It and Run's victory capped off another outstanding season for jockey **Felix Ortiz**, who led all Garden State jockeys in '98 with 74 wins and 93 placings, gained from 293 mounts. This worked out to a win ratio of 25.3 percent and a win-place-show ratio of 57 percent—good numbers. Ortiz thus recorded his third consecutive riding title at the Cherry Hill track.

Faustino Ramos, a longtime Garden State conditioner, earned his first training title there. Ramos registered 25 victories and 39 placings from 112 starts.

Monmouth Park

Live and simulcast offerings on Saturday May 23, generated a handle (from all sources) of \$5,534,585—an all-time record for a Monmouth opening. On-site attendance for the three-day



Who Did It and Run becomes the first filly ever to win the Jersey Derby-G2.

JOHN PANTALONE

Memorial Day weekend totaled 50,267, up 14.8 percent from last year. Total handle for the weekend (again including all monies wagered from all sources) totaled \$14.7 million. That also was a record for the track on the Jersey Shore.

Smoke Glacken, North America's 1997 sprint champion, was formally inducted into Monmouth's Hall of Champions in an opening day ceremony.

The one-mile main oval at Monmouth has undergone a change this year, as **Dave Harrington**, the new track superintendent, added more clay to the cushion, thereby reducing the ratio of sand. Numerous horsemen, early on, expressed satisfaction, although several months will have to go by before a complete assessment can be made.

Penn National

Robert Reeves Jr., an 18-year-old apprentice jockey with a seven-pound double bug, rode four winners on the Penn National card on May 6.

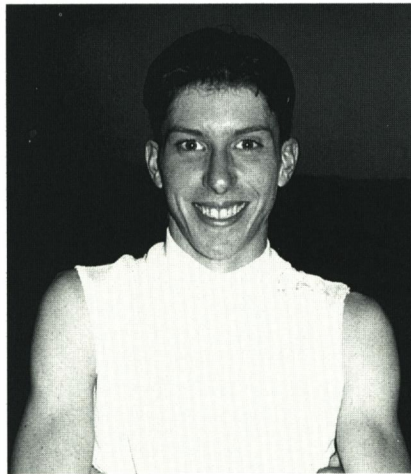
Reeves' four-bagger was achieved for four different ownerships and four different trainers. Not one of the horses went off as favorite; three returned double-digit win mutuels. There aren't many better methods of making an impact.

Originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, Reeves was born on July 4. Reeves' father, Bob Reeves, has owned and trained a few horses on the Ohio and Kentucky circuits over the years. Reeves Jr. was riding ponies bareback when he was 6 years old, and started galloping race horses when he was 11. His first mount came last year at River Downs, on the eastern outskirts of Cincinnati, on his birthday. His first victory, also at River Downs, came on his father's birthday, August 4.

Reeves also rode last year at Beulah Park and Turfway Park. He had a few mounts at Churchill Downs and Keeneland. Last winter, Reeves took his tack to Laurel Park and was at Pimlico this spring when he decided to try double duty, riding in Maryland during the afternoons and at Penn National in the evenings. The latter has now become Reeves' base.

Philadelphia Park

Along with nearly every other race track in North America, Philadelphia Park simulcast the Kentucky



BILL MOONEY

Apprentice jockey Robert Reeves Jr., 18, is a rising star at Penn National.

Derby-G1 on Saturday, May 2. But, on Derby morning, the Bucks County track and its OTB parlors also simulcast the 2,000 Guineas-G1 along with two other races from Newmarket, England. Post time for the Guineas was 10:40 a.m. EDT, which was a little less than seven hours before the Derby was run. Wagering at Philadelphia Park on the Newmarket events was commingled with the pari-mutuel pools in England, which is something that no North American track has ever done before.

Philadelphia Park is one of three tracks set to host this year's **America's Day at the Races** on Labor Day (September 7).

The day's feature wager, the Coast-to-Coast Triple, will consist of Philadelphia Park's **Pennsylvania Derby-G3**, the Del Mar Derby-G2 at Del Mar and the Cradle Stakes at River Downs.

America's Day at the Races is a promotional project developed cooperatively by numerous Thoroughbred industry organizations and spearheaded by the Thoroughbred Owners & Breeders Association. America's Day partners include race tracks, horsemen's groups, racing commissions and trade publications. In 1997, during the inaugural America's Day, almost all participating race tracks experienced increases in both handle and attendance.

Kimber Goodwin, former in-house television commentator at Laurel/Pimlico, is coordinating the 1998 America's Day at the Races.

The quest for a major sponsor for the \$250,000 Pennsylvania Derby-G3 has been postponed for one year. The reason is that Hal Handel, Philadelphia Park's new CEO, wants to (ahem!) tidy up the place a bit first. Progress is being made in

this direction. A representative from a local cleaning company was summoned to see what he could do about the floors in the grandstand and clubhouse. The man tried his equipment on one (yes, one) square foot of floor space. Chemicals were laid down, motors kicked on, machines rhythmically whirled into action. After a significant period, the man happily advised that, yes, something could be done, but that it would take a while.

Pimlico

Through Preakness day (May 16), Pimlico had staged 33 days of racing. The overnight purse distribution up to then averaged \$168,643, which was slightly higher than what Delaware Park distributed during that period. Pimlico also ran 28 stakes, eight of which were graded, for additional purses totaling \$4,061,395, absolutely dwarfing Delaware in this department.

Pimlico's average daily distribution from both sources was \$291,716, more than a hundred-grand higher than Delaware's. And Pimlico's fields had averaged 7.58 horses per race, more than one horse better than Delaware's fields.

Obviously, the comparison is skewed by the fact that Maryland's richest races fall within this time span. The Preakness (\$1-million guaranteed) topped a card that included five other stakes worth a grand total of \$800,000 in guaranteed purses, and the \$750,000-guaranteed Pimlico Special-G1 and \$200,000-guaranteed Black-Eyed Susan Stakes-G2 both took place during the week preceding the Preakness.

Still, the numbers beg the question—how come so many folks are saying that Delaware's great, because it has slot machines, and Maryland's in dire straits, because its tracks don't have them?

Here's something that defies probability. Commencing with Creamy Dreamy's victory in the \$53,775 Jacob France on May 10, and extending through Yagli's triumph in the \$200,000 Dixie Handicap-G2 on the Preakness undercard, ten consecutive stakes at Pimlico were won by favorites. Interestingly, the streak was broken by Real Quiet, with his win as the second choice in the Preakness.

Trainer **Bill Mott**, who will be inducted this August into the Racing Hall of Fame at Saratoga, tends to avoid the Triple Crown events—he has yet to as much as place in the Kentucky Derby, Preakness

or Belmont Stakes. But Mott otherwise does quite well. On Preakness Day, he won four stakes at Pimlico, for three different ownerships. Richter Scale, who campaigns for Richard and Nancy Kaster, copped the \$200,000 Maryland Breeders' Cup Handicap-G3. Eclipse award winner Ajina, an Allen Paulson homebred, took the \$200,000 Pimlico Distaff

Handicap-G3. Acceptable, a Kinsman Stud homebred, got up in the last jump for a nose victory in the \$100,000 William Donald Schaefer Handicap. And the aforementioned Yagli, another Paulson homebred, closed late to gain his Dixie triumph.

Jerry Bailey had the mounts on all four horses. Bailey wins stakes in clusters as well, particularly when Mott's giving

him a leg up. Mott's a venerable age 44. Bailey's a young 40. It is not probable that the extraordinary skills of this duo will soon enter dormancy.

Talent blossomed as well in Pimlico's premier event for 3-year-old fillies, the Black-Eyed Susan Stakes-G2 (May 15). **Added Gold**, making only her fourth career start, and first in a stakes, prevailed by three-quarters of a length as 1.1-1 favorite in a field of eight. The Acorn-G1 or Mother Goose-G1 Stakes were said to be next on the agenda for the David Donk-trained filly, who is owned in partnership by Allan Dragone's December Hill Farm and the Bohemia Stable of longtime Maryland horsewoman Allaire duPont.



Above, Yagli (outside) outfinishes Sky Colony in the Dixie Handicap-G2. Right, Added Gold defeats Tappin' Ginger to win the Black-Eyed Susan Stakes-G2.



LA WILLIAMS (2)

Skip Away makes it Special

Skip Away has strong ties to Maryland (his owner Carolyn Hine grew up in Baltimore and his trainer, Carolyn's husband Sonny Hine, was based at Maryland tracks for many years), but until this spring the two-time champion had not fared especially well in the Free State. Two of his hardest-fought second-place finishes came in the 1996 Preakness (won by Louis Quatorze) and 1997 Pimlico Special (to Gentlemen-Arg).

This year's (May 9) Pimlico Special proved a different story, as Skip Away grabbed the early lead and simply coasted to a three and a quarter-length victory as 1-5 favorite in the \$750,000 Special. Skip Away's 128-pound impost was the most weight carried by any Pimlico Special winner since War Admiral in 1937. The 1998 Oaklawn Park Handicap-G1 winner Precocity gave a game effort to finish second to Skip Away, who boosted his earnings to \$7,806,360 with the victory.



LA WILLIAMS

Terry Finley's partnerships stock fast-growing arsenal

by Lucy Acton

TERRY FINLEY RECALLS BEING AT Keystone race track (now Philadelphia Park) years ago, walking up to a man he had never met, and asking for a job on that man's farm. Finley was 12 years old at the time.

A lot has happened in his life since then—including graduation from the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, eight years in the military, a wife and two children (all of which came after his early stint on that farm in New Jersey, of

course)—but whatever forces propelled Terrence P. Finley back then obviously are still at work. Because once again Finley, 34, is visiting race tracks and other horse-related venues, and convincing horse owners (and frequently would-be horse owners) that he's their man.

Almost overnight—that is during the four years he has devoted nearly every waking hour to developing New Jersey-based West Point Thoroughbreds—Finley has become a major player at auction

sales from Maryland to Florida to California. His ambition, to borrow a familiar phrase, is to make West Point Thoroughbreds all that it can be. Which is another way of saying the leading partnership organization in the country. And if past performances are any indication, that does not appear to be an unreasonable goal.

West Point Thoroughbreds has spent more than \$3 million at auction sales over the last two seasons (1997 and so far in 1998), and was the leading buyer at this



BARRIE REIGHTLER (2)

year's Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's March select sale, where—after getting the nod from his regular advisor/agent Buzz Chace—Finley purchased the \$500,000 sales-topper, a colt named Kut-sa (by Stuka out of Spankey's Second, by Wig Out).

The racing/breeding enterprise currently has 35 horses: 21 runners of racing age (including stakes winners Big City Bound and Regal Miss Copelan), eight yearlings, three broodmares (partnership-owned fillies retained after their racing careers were over) and their three 1998 foals (by Cahill Road, Housebuster and Line in the Sand).

Hands-on horsepeople deeply involved in the West Point Thoroughbreds operation, in addition to Chace, include trainers John Dowd in New Jersey and Linda Rice in New York, whose stables are home to most of the WPT runners; and David McKathan and Kate Hayman, of Ocala, Fla., who provide much of the early training.

About 130 individual investors participate in the limited liability corporations (LLCs) through which West Point Thoroughbreds syndicates its horses, and the client base is steadily growing. "A lot of people would love to own horses, but don't have the wherewithal to do it right," says Finley. "We give them the opportunity not only to be involved, but to participate at a higher level than might otherwise be possible. We're working on putting together a stable of mostly 'Saturday afternoon' horses."

In the best Baffert-era tradition, Finley wants his clients to have fun. "As soon as it's not fun, you might as well start looking for some other way to invest your money," he says. "We try to make a profit. But you can't go into it with the idea of making a big profit. I always tell people this game is not for everyone. Some people are not viable candidates. This is a game of ego and money and passion; without the right mix of those three elements, people will have an unhappy experience. And that's the last thing we need."

Finley had a long time to ponder the philosophical side of the horse business before he even came close to buying his first set of jockey silks. The youngest of seven children, he grew up in Levittown, Pa., where his father was a high school chemistry teacher. "Going to the races, and betting, was my father's recreation," says Finley. "But obviously, raising seven children on a teacher's salary, owning horses was out of the question. As soon as



Terry Finley, shown on opposite page and above with advisor Buzz Chace, gave up a career in the Army to found his New Jersey-based West Point Thoroughbreds.

I was old enough to go along with my father, I took a big liking to the whole experience; curiously, none of my brothers and sisters had any interest in it at all."

As a teenager, Finley worked at New York tracks during the summers, learning the ropes from trainers Steve DiMauro and Danny Lopez, among others.

Then came years of rigorous education and technical training. He graduated from West Point in 1986 with a degree in mechanical engineering, earned a master's degree in business administration from Boston University and spent three years as an Army officer in Germany, during which time he attended airborne and ranger schools. After that, he came full circle—in a geographic sense, at least—and was stationed as a company commander at Fort Dix in New Jersey. "I was really lucky, because that got me back around horses," he explains.

Finley bought his first horse—a \$5,000 claimer—in 1991, and soon decided there had to be "a better way than

struggling along with cheap horses, so you could still enjoy it and not get killed." After deciding to form his own partnership business, West Point Thoroughbreds, he left the military in 1994 and along with his wife Debbie embarked on a whole new life.

Debbie runs the West Point Thoroughbreds office, located in Mt. Laurel, N.J., and loves the horse business, according to Terry. But he does not downplay the emotional adjustment that she and their two children—10-year-old daughter Erin and son Ryan, 7, went through. "It's scary to leave the relative security of the military for a business like this," he admits.

That Finley is prospering in his new career must help to allay many of those qualms. Still, he says: "Ninety-nine percent of the people involved in the horse business are here because they couldn't see themselves doing anything else. That's certainly true for me." ❖

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In memoriam

Dr. Mark Allam

Dr. Mark Whittier Allam, 89, retired dean of faculty of the University of Pennsylvania's School of Veterinary Medicine and a driving force in the establishment of the University's New Bolton Center, died April 28 at his home in Swarthmore, Pa.

"He probably was the most successful dean of any veterinary school in the 20th century," said his successor Dr. Alan M. Kelly. "We all owe him an enormous debt of gratitude for his leadership and deeply mourn his loss."

Dr. Allam, a native of Fernwood, Pa., graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine in 1932. Early in his career, he practiced general veterinary medicine in Media, Pa. He was associated with the School of Veterinary Medicine from 1943 until retiring in 1977. For 21 of those years he served as dean of faculty, and in 1951 he was named professor of veterinary surgery.

J. Blan van Urk

J. Blan van Urk, the West Chester, Pa., horseman who achieved note as an historian, author, foxhunter and steeplechase owner, among other pursuits, died March 30 at age 95.

Under his nom de course Sugar Tree Farm, Van Urk campaigned 1962 timber champion Flying Cottage. According to the *Chronicle*, Mr. Van Urk was "said to have ridden with 141 different packs of hounds. He continued in the first flight at Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds until age 88, when he broke his hip in a fall hacking to a meet."

Mr. Van Urk wrote *The Story of American Foxhunting*, Vol. I, 1650-1861 and Vol. II, 1865-1906, published in 1940 and 1941, and contributed to the *Encyclopaedia Britannica's* entry on foxhunting.

James B. Watriss

James B. Watriss, 76, a pioneer in the air transport of horses and breeder of 1988 Breeders' Cup Turf-G1 winner Great Communicator, died May 25 following a long illness.

In his later years, Watriss lived with his wife Minnie (the former Mary Wanamaker) at Warburton Farm, overlooking the



James B. Watriss

Grand National steeplechase course in Glyndon, Md. He previously owned farms in Maryland's Howard and Baltimore Counties, and for many years maintained a modest breeding program.

Great Communicator (by Key to the Kingdom) was produced from Watriss's humbly bred mare Blaheen (by Beekeeper), and sold by Watriss as a yearling at the Keeneland fall sale for \$42,000—a price that delighted the breeder at the time. "He stood out as one of the best-looking yearlings at the sale," said Watriss, who watched in amazement as Great Communicator became a Grade 1 winner of more than \$2 million. "My only regret," Watriss said in a 1988 interview with *The Maryland Horse*, "is that [Great Communicator] isn't a Maryland-bred. By all rights, he should have been a Maryland-bred, because over the years almost all of my mares have foaled here. But in 1983, my farm manager had a stroke, and I didn't have any help on the farm—so I boarded Blaheen in Kentucky that spring."

Born in Roslyn, N.Y., Watriss learned to ride and developed a lifelong love of horses while attending boarding school in Aiken, S.C. He trained as a pilot at the Boeing School of Aeronautics in Oaklawn, Calif., after graduating from high school, and was by turns a commercial test pilot, a Navy flight instructor and an aviation consultant for the CIA. In 1946, he helped arrange the first air flight ever taken by a horse, and from 1965 to '86 he owned and operated highly successful Pegasus Air Transport.

NEENA EWING

All-around performer

Providential (Ire) dies

Providential (Ire), a Grade 1-winning son of champion Run the Gantlet who had stood in Maryland since 1989, died of an apparent heart attack at Derby Hill Farm in Mt. Airy, Md., on May 26. "He was outside playing in his paddock when he collapsed," recounted Derby Hill farm manager Sue Christiansen. The 21-year-old bay horse covered mares this year and had appeared to be in good health.

Providential (Ire) entered stud in Kentucky in 1982 after a stellar U.S. campaign the previous season, during which he won or placed in five of seven starts. The Charlie Whittingham-trainee scored in back-to-back stakes—the Grade 1 Washington, D.C., International, defeating multiple champion April Run (Ire) (also by Run the Gantlet), and the rich Hollywood Turf Cup, at the expense of horse of the year John Henry. Providential (Ire) was ranked one pound below John Henry on *The Blood-Horse* Free Handicap of 1981 for older horses. That same year, his 2-year-old half-sister Play It Safe (Ire) (by Red Alert) was named

champion 2-year-old in France. Both were out of the Primera mare Prudent Girl.

Well-traveled Providential (Ire) had raced in Europe prior to his 4-year-old season, winning the Criterium de Saint-Cloud-G2 (at 2) and Prix Greffulhe-G2 (at 3) in France, and placing in three stakes, including the Premio Roma-G1 in Italy. He retired with earnings of \$716,988 from 17 starts, of which he won six and placed in five others.

The sire of 250 named foals from 14 crops, Providential (Ire) has sired nine stakes horses. His six stakes winners include Italian classic winner Prorutori, hero of the Derby Italiano-G1 and high-weighted 3-year-old (11-14 fur.) in Italy in 1989; \$310,198-earner Elegance, who won or placed in nine stakes, including seconds in a Grade 2 and two Grade 3 events; and six-time stakes winner and graded stakes-placed Princess Elaine, a multiple course record-setter who earned \$232,240.

A major stakes winner in France and the U.S., champion-siring Providential (Ire) had stood in Maryland since '89.



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The following statistics, compiled on June 5, reflect 1998 earnings only.

	Foals	Runners	Starts	Winners	Races Won	Leading Earner	Earnings	%Wnrs./ Runners	Avg./ Runner
1. Polish Numbers (Md).....	175	75	312	35	52	Really Polish (\$171,692)	\$1,185,980	47.0	\$15,813
2. Allen's Prospect (Md).....	478	122	564	53	80	Im Out First (\$85,300)	1,014,650	43.0	8,317
3. Two Punch (Md).....	353	70	298	35	50	Smolderin Heart (\$202,650)	1,012,570	50.0	14,465
4. Norquestor (Md).....	208	85	413	45	67	Joe Friday (\$56,865)	937,060	53.0	11,024
5. Carnivalay (Md).....	389	86	369	39	58	True Valay (\$66,242)	862,586	45.0	10,030
6. Smarten (Md).....	550	70	267	24	39	Greenspring Willy (\$99,216)	755,178	34.0	10,788
7. Citidancer (Md).....	133	55	252	27	41	Would You Mind (\$66,698)	682,556	49.0	12,410
8. Waquoit (Md).....	282	74	304	30	45	King Caspian (\$52,000)	679,445	41.0	9,182
9. Proud Truth (Md).....	273	73	337	38	49	Proud Owner (\$80,730)	635,927	52.0	8,711
10. Horatius (Md).....	598	79	382	33	47	Oliver's Star (\$44,900)	596,544	42.0	7,551
11. Hay Halo (Md).....	159	47	232	26	40	Halo's Friend (\$59,714)	595,228	55.0	12,664
12. Deputed Testamony (Md).....	311	62	284	31	48	Testafly (\$113,210)	591,271	50.0	9,537
13. Fred Astaire (Va).....	325	62	253	23	31	Dance Hall Fred (\$89,135)	513,277	37.0	8,279
14. Roanoke (Pa).....	164	69	282	21	27	Screamer (\$55,130)	485,602	30.0	7,038
15. Judge Smells (Pa).....	395	73	316	33	42	Judge Dis Affair (\$47,948)	459,469	45.0	6,294
16. Corporate Report (Pa).....	162	67	251	24	31	Report On Rain (\$43,470)	451,860	36.0	6,744
17. Opening Verse (Md).....	143	51	230	20	24	Mowbray (\$35,309)	415,741	39.0	8,152
18. Corridor Key (Md).....	254	56	257	23	33	Key Cents (\$61,838)	389,081	41.0	6,948
19. Oh Say (Md).....	427	49	187	22	33	Harry's Last Love (\$49,775)	340,115	45.0	6,941
20. Northern Wolf (Md).....	121	39	193	16	23	Hip Wolf (\$72,329)	324,617	41.0	8,324
21. Pappa Riccio (NJ).....	232	47	225	16	33	Red Light Rambler (\$44,170)	324,193	34.0	6,898
22. Nepal (Pa).....	190	38	192	16	26	Hoist the Baba (\$56,650)	313,723	42.0	8,256
23. Secret Hello (Va).....	101	35	146	19	27	Hello Move Over (\$52,649)	305,740	54.0	8,735
24. John Alden (Md).....	326	37	178	13	19	Game Dana (\$71,720)	299,919	35.0	8,106
25. Sewickley (Md).....	75	23	104	12	15	Show and Tell (\$87,350)	296,466	52.0	12,890
26. Imperial Falcon (Pa).....	243	46	191	17	25	Monk's Falcon (\$60,300)	291,257	37.0	6,332
27. Shelter Half (Md).....	330	29	153	15	21	Golden Tent (\$48,150)	288,231	52.0	9,939
28. Hail Emperor (Md).....	212	16	103	10	21	Royal Haven (\$150,000)	279,327	63.0	17,458
29. Goldlust (Va).....	166	36	181	15	21	C. F. Bagley (\$40,786)	261,050	42.0	7,251
30. Flying Pidgeon (Pa).....	168	31	142	11	16	Dancing Rhythm (\$77,700)	225,472	35.0	7,273
31. Thirty Eight Paces (Md).....	282	39	167	14	18	Hot Salsa (\$31,109)	221,752	36.0	5,686
32. Manastash Ridge (Pa).....	116	30	130	12	16	Hard Rock Ridge (\$43,590)	219,003	40.0	7,300
33. Lil Fappi (NJ).....	127	35	211	15	20	Kilkenny Kat (\$33,340)	202,603	43.0	5,789
34. Feel the Power (WV).....	228	32	154	15	28	Shes a Caper Too (\$52,830)	197,551	47.0	6,173
35. Two Davids (Pa).....	215	33	132	10	13	Real Dream Girl (\$47,290)	195,701	30.0	5,930
36. Clever Champ (Md).....	212	32	137	16	28	Midnite Blizzard (\$29,170)	189,184	50.0	5,912
37. Ziggy's Boy (Md).....	225	25	124	11	12	Macaso (\$36,160)	179,152	44.0	7,166
38. Proof (Pa).....	156	19	95	8	15	Menace the Dennis (\$57,434)	179,056	42.0	9,424
39. My Boy Adam (WV).....	69	25	94	11	15	Bushy Boy (\$35,670)	172,951	44.0	6,918
40. Wesham (WV).....	168	33	169	17	25	Assertive Dreamer (\$29,605)	167,366	52.0	5,072
41. Aaron's Concorde (Md).....	36	14	75	6	9	Rhoda Elaine (\$49,910)	167,334	43.0	11,952
42. Another Reef (Md).....	101	16	92	8	10	Send Wishes (\$36,332)	162,998	50.0	10,187
43. Poles Apart (Md).....	109	23	144	14	17	A Bugle Pole (\$24,043)	155,987	61.0	6,782
44. My Prince Charming (NJ).....	86	28	123	11	19	Queen Jane (\$33,930)	152,644	39.0	5,452
45. Foligno (Pa).....	84	23	91	9	10	Sudden Encounter (\$23,100)	150,247	39.0	6,532
46. Patriotically (Md).....	92	16	88	6	9	Toforward (\$45,652)	148,734	38.0	9,296
47. Buck Aly (Va).....	17	6	24	4	8	Sue's April Fool (\$60,940)	142,876	67.0	23,813
48. Willard Scott (Md).....	39	10	33	3	4	Weather Vane (\$131,270)	142,080	30.0	14,208
49. Tank (Md).....	46	16	65	8	12	Salt Water (\$34,529)	139,514	50.0	8,720
50. Castle Guard (NJ).....	128	20	116	9	14	Auspicious Moment (\$30,974)	138,271	45.0	6,914
51. U. S. Flag (Pa).....	150	23	107	12	14	Union Flag (\$14,910)	135,222	52.0	5,879
52. Rock Point (Va).....	97	17	96	9	11	Point of Attack (\$24,418)	131,631	53.0	7,743
53. Dover Ridge (Md).....	124	22	88	10	13	Run the Ridge (\$30,900)	131,518	45.0	5,978
54. Linkage (Va).....	268	17	62	6	11	Profigliano (\$29,900)	124,365	35.0	7,316
55. Majesty's Prince (Va).....	198	22	88	6	9	Majesty's Turn (\$30,223)	122,470	27.0	5,567
56. Believe the Queen (Md).....	203	19	84	10	14	Prince Jamie (\$20,580)	121,299	53.0	6,384
57. Melodisk (WV).....	61	18	92	9	18	Alydisk (\$24,165)	116,921	50.0	6,496
58. Eastover Court (Md).....	39	9	36	4	8	Solar Landing (\$54,401)	115,056	44.0	12,784
59. Shelly's Charmer (NJ).....	26	14	78	8	9	Mascereye (\$19,739)	113,985	57.0	8,142
60. Compelling Sound (Md).....	82	24	78	6	6	Cosmo Topper (\$48,680)	113,726	25.0	4,739

Mid-Atlantic-bred stars on Kentucky Derby day

Colonial Minstrel continues proud legacy

Colonial Minstrel's victory in the Humana Distaff Handicap-G3 was the most important performance by a Mid-Atlantic-bred at Churchill Downs on Kentucky Derby day.

Although he might have preferred to be making a run for the roses, owner/breeder Edward P. Evans had to be extremely proud of the 4-year-old filly, whose sire Pleasant Colony won the 1981 Kentucky Derby for Evans's father, the late Thomas Mellon Evans.

Colonial Minstrel demonstrated her superiority over ten rivals in the Distaff: despite breaking from the extreme outside and getting hung wide on the backstretch, she made a powerful run in the stretch and scored by a half-length, for her first graded stakes win.

Maintaining her superb form, the Virginia-bred returned three weeks later to capture the Grade 2 Shuvee Handicap at Belmont. The Shuvee was expected to be a tour de force for Dixie Flag, the 1997 Maryland-bred 3-year-old filly champion returning from a victory in the (April 18) Bed o' Roses Handicap-G3. But Colonial

Minstrel, dispatched as second choice, slipped through on the rail and scored by a length over the odds-on favorite.

The Shuvee was Colonial Minstrel's fifth victory in a row this season. In February and March, she annexed two allowance races at Gulfstream Park by a combined margin of 13½ lengths. Her last outing prior to the Humana Distaff was a five-length triumph in the Poinciana Breeders' Cup Handicap on April 5 at Hialeah. In 14 career starts, Colonial Minstrel has to her credit eight wins, three seconds and a third, for earnings of \$361,866.

Colonial Minstrel is out of champion Minstrella (by The Minstrel—Flight Dancer, by Misty Flight), whom Evans also bred and raced. A multiple Group 1 winner in Ireland and England, Minstrella was Ireland's top-rated 2-year-old filly of 1986.

Colonial Minstrel is her dam's second stakes winner. The first—Minidar, a 1990 Alydar filly—was a graded stakes winner of \$350,900. Minstrella has an Unbridled filly at her side, and was bred back to Kris S.

Creamy Dreamy carries something extra in Jacob France Stakes

Creamy Dreamy attracted more than the usual amount of attention when she won the Jacob France Stakes at Pimlico on May 10. That's because you don't find a lot of pregnant mares winning stakes.

Carrying her first foal, by Polish Numbers, 5-year-old Creamy Dreamy was ridden out to a four and a quarter-length score as 7-5 favorite in a field of six in the event held, appropriately enough, on Mother's Day. Her six-furlong time, over a sloppy track, was 1:11½.

Bred and owned by James J. Wilson's Dresden Farm and trained by Katharine Voss, Creamy Dreamy (Two Punch—Jane Russell, by What Luck) boosted her lifetime earnings to \$242,418 with her third career stakes win. The Maryland-bred is expected to make one more start before retiring to Dresden Farm in Uperville, Va.



Colonial Minstrel extends her winning streak to five in the Shuvee Handicap-G2.

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Dam: NEW CLASSIC, ch., 81, bred by William R. Harris (Md.). Raced 4 years, 36 starts, 4 wins, 3 to 5, \$18,999.

87 Riddle's Classic, ch.f. by Riddle's Double. Raced 3 years, 47 starts, 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$14,500.

88 Here's Class, ch.c. by Riddle's Double. Raced 3 years, 18 starts, 1 win at 3, \$3,706.

89 Classic Touch, ch.f. by Friendly Blue. Raced 1 year, 7 starts at 3, 0 wins, \$243.

90 CLASSY IVOR, ch.g. by Sir Ivor Again.

91-94 Barren.

CREAMY DREAMY

Jacob France Stakes

\$50,000-added, 6 fur., fillies and mares,
3 & up. Pimlico, May 10.

	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native			
	Two Punch	Gold Digger			
	Heavenly Cause	*Grey Dawn II			
ch.m., 1993		Lady Dulcinea			
	What Luck	Bold Ruler			
	Jane Russell	Irish Jay			
	Restless Life	Restless Wind			
		Try Peace			
95	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
96	unraced				
97	6	2	3 (1)	1	\$ 40,590
97 (sw)	8	4 (2)	1	2 (2)	152,200
98 (sw)	3	1 (1)	1	1 (1)	49,628
	17	7 (3)	5 (1)	4 (3)	\$242,418
					(through May 10)

(through May 10)

1996: 2nd Bold Queen S. 1997: 1st \$100,000 Sweet and Sassy H, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Delaware, Aug. 10; \$75,000 Floral Park H, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Belmont, Sept. 13; 3rd Skipat S, Sham Say S. 1998: 1st \$50,000 Jacob

France S, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Pimlico, May 10; 3rd Interborough H-G3.

Bred and owned by Dresden Farm (Md.); trained by Katharine M. Voss.

Sire: TWO PUNCH stands at Northview Stallion Station, Chesapeake City, Md.

Dam: JANE RUSSELL, b., 84, bred by Liz Tippet (N.Y.). Raced 1 year, 10 starts, 3 wins at 3, \$74,350.

89 Bouncy Babe, dk.b./br.f. by Tri Jet. Raced 4 years, 39 starts, 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$10,244.

90 Cambridge Caper, ch.f. by Contare. Raced 3 years, 36 starts, 5 wins, 3 to 5, \$40,946.

91 Blow Dry Guy, dk.b./br.c. by John Alden. Raced 1 year, 2 starts at 4, 0 wins, \$0.

92 No record.

93 CREAMY DREAMY, ch.f. by Two Punch.

94 Four Thrills, dk.b./br.f. by Two Punch. Raced 2 years, 6 starts at 3 and 4, 0 wins, \$10,175.

95 Moscow Moppet, ch.c. by Gorky Park (Fr). Unraced.

96 Combat Cowboy, ch.c. by Gorky Park (Fr). Unraced.

97 Barren.

98 f. by Two Punch.

TEB'S BEND

Margaret Currey Henley Spring Novice Championship

\$50,000-guaranteed, abt. 2¼ mi.
over National fences, 4 & up who had
not won over hurdles prior to March 15,
1997. Percy Warner, May 9.

	Caro (Ire)	Fortino II			
	Whatever For	Chambord			
	What's the Reason	Hail to Reason			
dk.b./br.g., 1993	Dunce Cap II	Double Jay			
	Bupers	Busanda			
	Bupersrose	Maribeau			
	Trailofroses	Rosey Miss			
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
95	unraced				
96	5	0	2	0	\$ 15,120
97 (sw)	8	4 (1)	0	2	104,500
98 (sw)	2	1 (1)	1	0	37,000
	*15	5 (2)	3	2	\$156,620
					(through May 9)

(through May 9)

*Includes NSA sanctioned starts only

1997: 1st \$75,000 U.S. Championship Supreme Hurdle S, 2½ mi., turf, 3 & up, Pine Mountain, Nov. 1.

1998: 1st \$50,000 Margaret Currey Henley Spring Novice Championship, abt. 2¼ mi. over National fences, 4 & up who had not won over hurdles prior to March 15, 1997, Percy Warner, May 9.

Bred and owned by Mrs. Thomas H. Voss (Md.); trained by Thomas H. Voss.

Sire: WHATEVER FOR stands at Sunny Dell, Barbourville, Va.

Dam: BUPERSROSE, b., 74, bred by Mr. and Mrs. B. Frank Christmas (Md.). Raced 6 years, 71 starts, 7 wins, 3 to 7, \$50,207.

83 MICKEY FREE, dk.b./br.g. by Rock Talk. Raced 5 years, 36 starts, 6 wins, 3 to 5, \$160,688, Atlanta Cup Stp. H, 2nd Metcalf Memorial Stp. H, Maryland Million Stp. S, 3rd Callaway Gardens Stp. H. Set ncr at Atlanta—abt. 2½ mi. in 4:01½.

84 Aggie Watters, b.f. by Spring Double. Unraced.

85 No record.

86 Fractious, ch.f. by Compliance. Raced 5 years, 36 starts, 5 wins, 3 to 6, \$41,000. Producer.

87 Not covered previous year.

88 Verbenia, ch.f. by Hail Emperor. Raced 4 years, 10 starts, 2 to 5, 0 wins, \$405.

- 89 Barren.
 90 **MENEMSHA**, ch.f. by Whatever For. Raced 2 years, 12 starts, 3 wins at 3, \$76,745, Pearl Neck-lace S, Christiana Breeders' Cup H.
 91 April Eyes, b.f. by Whatever For. Raced 1 year, 3 starts at 3, 0 wins, \$80.
 92 No record.
 93 **TEB'S BEND**, dk.b./br.g. by Whatever For.

New Jersey-bred

JERSEY GIRL

Nassau County Stakes-G3
 \$75,000-added, 7 fur., 3-year-old fillies.
 Belmont Park, May 13.

	Danzig			Northern Dancer	
	Belong to Me			Pas de Nom	
	Belonging			Exclusive Native	
ch.f., 1995				Straight Deal	
	Valid Appeal			In Reality	
	Miss Bold Appeal			Desert Trial	
	Bid Gal			Bold Bidder	
				Nowmepache	
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
97 (sw)	4	2 (1)	1	0	\$ 62,930
98 (sw)	4	4 (3)	0	0	178,207
	8	6 (4)	1	0	\$241,137
					(through May 13)

1997: 1st \$50,000 **Astoria S**, 5½ fur., 2-year-old fillies, Belmont, July 2. **1998:** 1st \$75,000 **Cicada S-G3**, 7 fur., 3-year-old fillies, Aqueduct, March 28; \$100,000 **New York Stallion S**, Park Avenue div., 1 mi., 3-year-old fillies, Aqueduct, April 19; \$75,000 **Nassau County S-G3**, 7 fur., 3-year-old fillies, Belmont, May 13.

Bred by Mac Fehsenfeld (N.J.); owned by Ackery Brothers Farm; trained by Todd A. Pletcher.

Sire: **BELONG TO ME** stands at Lane's End Farm, Versailles, Ky.

Dam: **MISS BOLD APPEAL**, ch., 90, bred by Harry T. Mangurian Jr. (Fla.). Raced 2 years, 4 starts, 1 win at 3, \$8,100. (OBS Aug 91—\$48,000; Kee Jan 96—\$72,000 in foal to Quiet American)

95 **JERSEY GIRL**, ch.f. by Belong to Me. (FTF Feb 97—\$220,000)

96 c. by Quiet American.

97 c. by Nureyev.

LOOKIN FOR ROMANCE

West Long Branch Stakes
 \$40,000-guaranteed, 6 fur., fillies and mares,
 3 & up. Monmouth Park, May 25.

	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native			
	Great Prospector	Gold Digger			
	Day of Reckoning	Hail to Reason			
dk.b./br.f., 1994		Admiralita			
	Parfaitement	Halo			
	Lover's Faite	Double Axle			
	Love and Live	Brave Emperor			
		Lovey			
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
96	4	1	0	1	\$ 9,940
97	10	4	4	0	86,522
98 (sw)	4	1 (1)	0	1	29,860
	18	6 (1)	4	2	\$126,322
	(through May 25)				

1998: 1st \$40,000 **West Long Branch S**, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Monmouth, May 25.

Bred by Charles Riechers and Janice Wendling (N.J.); owned by Ferdinand Bruzzese and Janice Wendling; trained by Ronald Wendling.

Sire: **GREAT PROSPECTOR** stands at Spring Valley Farms, Larkspur, Colo.

Dam: **LOVER'S FAITE**, dk.b./br., 88, bred by Hi Hope Farm, Inc. (Md.). Raced 1 year, 6 starts, 1 win at 4, \$5,580.

94 **LOOKIN FOR ROMANCE**, dk.b./br.f. by Great Prospector.

97 Barren.

WHAT A GREAT DAY

John J. Reilly Handicap
 \$35,000-guaranteed, 6 fur.,
 registered New Jersey-breds,
 3 & up. Monmouth Park, May 23.

	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native			
	Great Prospector	Gold Digger			
	Day of Reckoning	Hail to Reason			
b.h., 1993		Admiralita			
	Miteas Well Laff	Vertex			
	A Days Laff	Laurel Mac			
	Ann Hasty	Hasty Road			
		Ann Doshay			
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
95	1	1	0	0	\$10,200
96	1	0	0	1	3,510
97	4	1	0	1	23,210
98 (sw)	2	2 (1)	0	0	37,800
	8	4 (1)	0	2	\$74,720
	(through May 23)				

1998: 1st \$35,000 **John J. Reilly H**, 6 fur., registered N.J.-breds, 3 & up, Monmouth, May 23.

Bred by William Day and Stanley Panco (N.J.); owned by Stanley Panco; trained by Robert Camac.

Sire: **GREAT PROSPECTOR** stands at Spring Valley Farms, Larkspur, Colo.

Dam: **A DAYS LAFF**, ch., 84, bred by Stanley Panco (N.J.). Raced 3 years, 24 starts, 2 wins at 4, \$11,474.

90 Slipped twins; 91 foal died.

92 Our Day in Court, ch.c. by Proof. Raced 3 years, 14 starts, 1 win at 2, \$10,641.

93 **WHAT A GREAT DAY**, b.c. by Great Prospector.

94 Slipped.

95 Chemo, b.f. by Great Prospector. Raced 2 years, 2 starts at 2 and 3, 0 wins, \$575.

96 Magical Mike, ch.c. by Pappa Riccio. Unraced.

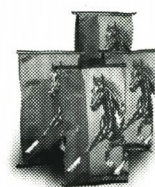
WHO DID IT AND RUN

Garden State Stakes
 \$40,000-guaranteed, 1 mi. (off the turf),
 3-year-olds. Garden State, May 9.

Jersey Derby-G2
 \$150,000-guaranteed, 1¼ mi., turf,
 3-year-olds. Garden State, May 22.

	Danzig	Northern Dancer
	Polish Numbers	Pas de Nom
	Numbered Account	Buckpasser
ch.f., 1995		Intriguing
	Diesis (GB)	Sharpen Up (GB)
	I'm Harriet	Doubly Sure (GB)
	I'm Well Bred	Cormorant
		Is Certain

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97	3	1	0	0	\$ 16,900
98 (sw)	6	5 (2)	1	0	145,180
	9	6 (2)	1	0	\$162,080

(through May 23)

1998: 1st \$40,000 **Garden State S**, 1 mi. (off the turf), 3-year-olds, Garden State, May 9; \$150,000 **Jersey Derby-G2**, 1 1/8 mi., turf, 3-year-olds, Garden State, May 22.

Bred by Bruce R. Grossman and Thomas J. Moran (N.J.); owned and trained by Debra Sones.

Sire: **POLISH NUMBERS** stands at Northview Station, Chesapeake City, Md.

Dam: I'M HARRIET, ch., 88, bred by Harry Z. Isaacs (Ky.). Raced 3 years, 24 starts, 1 win at 3, \$44,185. (Kee July 89—\$100,000)

95 **WHO DID IT AND RUN**, ch.f. by Polish Numbers.

96 Slipped.

97 Absolute Patience, b.f. by Rakeen.

Sire: **POLISH NUMBERS** stands at Northview Station, Chesapeake City, Md.

Dam: **KOMPUTER KATHY**, b., 81, bred by Ostrer Brothers and William Terrill (N.Y.). Raced 2 years, 20 starts at 3 and 4, 0 wins, \$17,210. (HSC Oct 84—\$11,000; FTN April 85—\$9,500)

86 Not covered previous year.

87 Ticker Toy, b.f. by Romantic Lead. Raced 4 years, 29 starts, 3 wins at 4 and 5, \$14,105.

88 Hold the Applause, b.c. by Northern Fling. Raced 6 years, 33 starts, 3 wins, 3 to 6, \$21,156.

89 Sagarmantha, dk.b./br.f. by Nepal. Raced 3 years, 16 starts, 2 wins at 4 and 5, \$12,288.

90 Barren.

91 Sunshine Patch, ch.f. by Fuzzbuster. Raced 2 years, 16 starts, 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$18,432. (HBS Nov 93—\$900)

92 Foal died.

93 Pewter's Lee, gr./ro.c. by Northern Wolf. Raced 3 years, 12 starts, 2 wins at 4, \$11,099. (HBS Sept 94—\$2,500; FTM May 95—\$5,700)

94 **ABACUS ANDY**, b.g. by Polish Numbers.

Bred by Ernest Biddle (Pa.); owned by Ernest Biddle and Ernest Smith; trained by Martin L. Fallon.

Sire: **LEEMATT** (deceased).

Dam: **CADENCE SCARLET**, ch., 87, bred by Larry Millison (Fla.). Raced 4 years, 19 starts, 1 win at 3, \$6,592. (OBS April 89—\$35,000)

93 **KINGTESTER**, ch.g. by Leematt.

TODD'S PICK

Danzig Stakes

\$30,000-added, 6 fur., registered Pennsylvania-bred 3-year-olds. Penn National, May 17.

Drone	Sir Gaylord
Separate Realities	Cap and Bells
Hasty Queen II	One Count
dk.b./br.g., 1995	Queen Hopeful
Royal and Regal	*Vaguely Noble
T. J.'s Pick	Native Street
Queen Maeve	Mac Diarmida
	Madonna Red

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
97	1	0	1	0	\$ 1,180
98 (sw)	5	3 (1)	1	0	35,711
	6	3 (1)	2	0	\$36,891

(through May 17)

1998: 1st \$30,000 **Danzig S**, 6 fur., registered Pa.-bred 3-year-olds, Penn National, May 17.

Bred by Blair E. Minnich (Pa.); owned by T. Beattie, J. Ream and C. Huber; trained by Todd Beattie.

Sire: **SEPARATE REALITIES** (deceased).

Dam: **T. J.'S PICK**, dk.b./br., 88, bred by Jay Force and Gene McLaughlin (Fla.). Raced 3 years, 19 starts, 4 wins, 2 to 4, \$54,439, Fair Star S. (OBS Aug 89—\$1,400; OBS April 90—\$8,000)

93 Foal died.

94 B. B.'s Pick, b.c. by Verge. Raced 2 years, 14 starts, 2 wins at 3, \$15,587.

95 **TODD'S PICK**, dk.b./br.g. by Separate Realities.

96 Sure Pick, b.f. by D. C. Tenacious. Unraced.

97 Barren.

Pennsylvania-bred

ABACUS ANDY

Ben Cohen Stakes

\$50,000-added, 5 fur., turf, 3 & up. Pimlico, May 24.

Danzig	Northern Dancer
Polish Numbers	Pas de Nom
Numbered Account	Buckpasser
b.g., 1994	Intriguing
Racconto	*Ribot
Komputer Kathy	King's Story
Jackie Junior	Native Rhythm
	Della Liz

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
96	unraced				
97	8	4	1	0	\$ 54,450
98 (sw)	4	2 (1)	0	0	48,780
	12	6 (1)	1	0	\$103,230

(through May 24)

1998: 1st \$50,000 **Ben Cohen S**, 5 fur., turf, 3 & up, Pimlico, May 24.

Bred by Sandra S. Quillman (Pa.); owned by John V. Alecci Stable, Inc.; trained by John V. Alecci.

KINGTESTER

Yankee Affair Handicap

\$35,000-added, 1 1/8 mi., registered Pennsylvania-breds, 3 & up. Philadelphia Park, May 2.

Turn to Reason	Hail to Reason
Leematt	Insolence
Sun Rondeau	Bull Brier
ch.g., 1993	M. Louise
Bailjumper	Damascus
Cadence Scarlet	Court Circuit
Cadence	Groton
	Credence

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
95	unraced				
96	10	3	1	2	\$ 52,320
97	7	1	3	1	39,150
98 (sw)	6	2 (1)	1	2 (1)	57,972
	23	6 (1)	5	5 (1)	\$149,442

(through May 26)

1998: 1st \$35,000 **Yankee Affair H**, 1 1/8 mi., registered Pa.-breds, 3 & up, Philadelphia, May 2; 3rd **Lyman H**.

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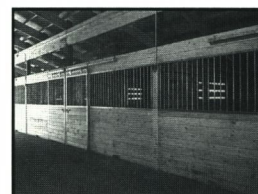
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National Hunt Cup Hurdle-NSA3

\$35,000-guaranteed, about 2¼ mi. over National fences, 4 & up. Radnor, May 16.

	Damascus	Sword Dancer			
	Eastern Echo	Kerala			
	Wild Applause	Northern Dancer			
b.g., 1992		Glowing Tribute			
	Alydar	Raise a Native			
	Battle Drum	Sweet Tooth			
	Drumtop	Round Table			
		Zonah			
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
94	4	0	0	0	\$ 3,330
95	6	0	0	0	6,420
96	9	2	2 (1)	2 (1)	46,600
97 (sw)	11	5 (2)	1	2 (1)	105,408
98 (sw)	3	1 (1)	1 (1)	0	49,350
	*33	8 (3)	4 (2)	4 (2)	\$211,108
					(through May 16)

(through May 16)

*Includes NSA sanctioned starts only

1996: 2nd **Saratoga Steeplechase Cup**; 3rd **Miles Valentine Novice S**. **1997:** 1st \$50,000 **A.P. Smithwick Memorial H-NSA2**, 2½ mi., 4 & up, Saratoga, July 31; \$40,000 **Noel Laing Hurdle S-NSA3**, 2½ mi., turf, 4 & up, Montpelier, Nov. 1; 3rd **Stephen C. Clark Jr. Memorial H**. **1998:** 1st \$35,000 **National Hunt Cup Hurdle-NSA3**, about 2¼ mi. over National fences, 4 & up, Radnor, May 16; 2nd **Carolina Cup-NSA1**.

Bred by Paul Mellon (Va.); owned by The Fields Stable; trained by Thomas H. Voss.

Sire: **EASTERN ECHO** stands at Lane's End Farm, Versailles, Ky.

Dam: **BATTLE DRUM**, b., 82, bred by James B. Moseley and Paul Mellon (Va.). Raced 1 year, 10 starts, 1 win at 3, \$46,940. (Kee Nov 92—\$82,000 in foal to Eastern Echo)

87 b.c. by Hero's Honor.

89 Highland Battle, ch.c., by The Minstrel. In England, raced 2 years, 11 starts at 2 and 3, 0 wins, \$4,449.

90 Java Drums, b.f., by Java Gold. Raced 2 years, 19 starts, 3 wins at 3, \$25,267.

91 Blaze Away, b.c., by Polish Navy. In England, raced 4 years, 32 starts, 4 wins, 2 and 4, \$53,328.

92 **BRIGADE OF GUARDS**, b.g., by Eastern Echo. 93 Distant Drumroll, ch.f., by Eastern Echo. Raced 3 years, 18 starts, 2 wins at 4, \$51,417.

94 Barren.

95 Benin, b.c., by Sky Classic. In England, raced 2 years, 2 starts, 1 win at 2, \$5,850. (Kee Sept 96—\$250,000)

96 Pekan Heights, dk.b./br.c. by Green Dancer. Unraced.

97 Barren.

COLONIAL MINSTREL

Humana Distaff Handicap-G3

\$100,000-added, 7 fur., fillies and mares, 4 & up. Churchill Downs, May 2.

Shuvee Handicap-G2

\$150,000-guaranteed, 1 mi., fillies and mares, 3 & up. Belmont Park, May 23.

	His Majesty			*Ribot	
	Pleasant Colony			Flower Bowl	
	Sun Colony			Sunrise Flight	
gr./ro.f., 1994				*Colonia	
	The Minstrel			Northern Dancer	
	Minstrella			Fleur	
	Flight Dancer			Misty Flight	
				Courbette	
	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
96	unraced				
97 (sw)	8	3 (1)	3	1 (1)	\$ 94,966
98 (sw)	6	5 (3)	0	0	266,900
	14	8 (4)	3	1 (1)	\$361,866
					(through May 23)

(through May 23)

1997: 1st \$30,000 **Oakley S**, 7 fur., Va.-bred 3-year-old fillies, Colonial, Sept. 6; 3rd **Pebbles H**. **1998:** 1st \$100,000 **Poinciana Breeders' Cup H** (includes \$50,000 Breeders' Cup Fund), 7 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Hialeah, April 5; \$100,000 **Humana Distaff H-G3**, 7 fur., fillies and mares, 4 & up, Churchill, May 2; \$150,000 **Shuvee H-G2**, 1 mi., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Belmont, May 23.

Bred and owned by Edward P. Evans (Va.); trained by Mark A. Hennig.

Sire: **PLEASANT COLONY** stands at Lane's End Farm, Versailles, Ky.

Dam: **MINSTRELLA**, ro., 84, bred by Edward P. Evans (Va.). Champion 2-year-old filly in Ireland. In England, Ireland and U.S., raced 2 years, 11 starts, 4 wins at 2, \$317,280, Phoenix S-G1, Moyglare Stud S-G1, Tattersalls Cheveley Park S-G1, Chesham S, 2nd Cherry Hinton S-G3, 4th Cork & Orrery S-G3.

89 Prospector's Music, dk.b./br.c. by Mr. Prospector. In France, raced 1 year, 3 starts at 3, 0 wins, \$3,320. Sire. (FTN Aug 90—\$900,000)

90 **MINIDAR**, ro.f. by Alydar. Raced 3 years, 16 starts, 8 wins, 2 to 4, \$350,900, Chicago Breeders' Cup H-G3, Camilla Urso H, Jersey Lilly H, 3rd A Gleam H-G2.

91 Rock Band, ro.c. by Mr. Prospector. Raced 3 years, 13 starts, 1 win at 4, \$17,330.

92 Sisterella, ch.f. by Diesis (GB). Raced 2 years, 12 starts, 3 wins at 3 and 4, \$69,548.

93 Look West, gr./ro.c. by Pleasant Colony. In Ireland, raced 1 year, 2 starts at 4, 0 wins, \$211. (Kee Jul 94—\$775,000)

94 **COLONIAL MINSTREL**, gr./ro.f. by Pleasant Colony.

95 Minicolony, gr./ro.f. by Pleasant Colony. Raced 2 years, 5 starts at 2 and 3, 0 wins, \$4,040.

96 Casanova Star, ch.c. by A.P. Indy. Unraced.

97 Not bred.

98 f. by Unbridled.

SALUTER

Middleburg Hunt Cup

\$20,000-guaranteed, abt. 3¼ mi. over timber, 5 & up. Middleburg, April 18.

Virginia Gold Cup

\$40,000-guaranteed, abt. 4 mi. over timber, 5 & up. Great Meadow, May 2.

	Hoist the Flag	Tom Rolfe
	Salutely	Wavy Navy
	Politely	*Amerigo
b.g., 1989		Morn Again
	Best Turn	*Turn-to
	Curvie	Sweet Clementine
	Roman Wonder	Roman Line
		Wonder Star

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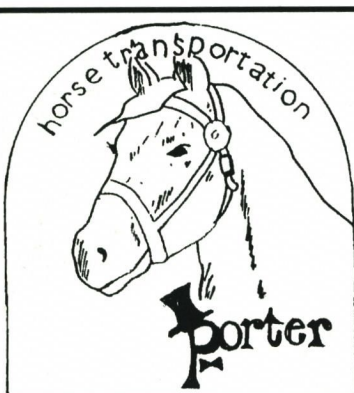


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	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
91	1	0	0	0	\$ 0
92	4	1	0	0	4,200
93 (sw)	7	3 (1)	0	0	39,600
94 (sw)	5	3 (3)	1 (1)	0	65,900
95 (sw)	7	6 (4)	1 (1)	0	96,889
96 (sw)	3	2 (2)	1	0	35,500
97 (sw)	4	3 (2)	0	0	141,000
98 (sw)	3	2 (2)	0	0	36,000
*34	19 (14)	3 (2)	0		†\$419,089

(through May 24)

*Includes NSA sanctioned starts only

† (includes \$100,000 World Timber Championship bonus)

1993: 1st \$35,000 Virginia Hunt Cup, abt. 4 mi., 4 & up, Montpelier, Nov. 6. **1994:** 1st \$40,000 Virginia Gold Cup, abt. 4 mi., 5 & up, Great Meadow, May 7; \$25,000 St. James Hunt Cup, abt. 3 mi., 4 & up, St. James, Sept. 17; \$40,000 Virginia Hunt Cup, abt. 4 mi., 5 & up, Montpelier, Nov. 5; 2nd My Lady's Manor. **1995:** 1st \$35,000 Virginia Gold Cup, abt. 4 mi. (ncr-8:27), 5 & up, Great Meadow, May 6; \$25,000 Radnor Hunt Cup, abt. 3½ mi., 4 & up, Radnor, May 20; \$25,000 St. James Hunt Cup, abt. 3 mi., 4 & up, St. James, Sept. 16; \$40,000 Virginia Hunt Cup, abt. 4 mi., 5 & up, Montpelier, Nov. 11; 2nd International Gold Cup. **1996:** 1st \$25,000 Virginia Gold Cup, abt. 4 mi., 5 & up, Great Meadow, May 4; \$25,000 Radnor Hunt Cup, abt. 3½ mi., 4 & up, Malvern, May 18. **1997:** 1st \$40,000 Virginia Gold Cup, abt. 4 mi., 5 & up, Great Meadow, May 3; \$34,000 Marlborough Cup, abt. 3 mi., 4 & up, Barbury, England, May 18. **1998:** 1st \$20,000 Middleburg Hunt Cup, abt. 3¼ mi. over timber, 5 & up, Middleburg, April 18; \$40,000 Virginia Gold Cup, abt. 4 mi. over timber, 5 & up, Great Meadow, May 2.

Bred by Rose M. Estes (Va.); owned by Mrs. Henry Stern; trained by Jack Fisher.

Sire: SALUTELY (deceased).

Dam: CURVIE, b., 75, bred by Mulholland Bros. (Ky.). Raced 3 years, 22 starts, 3 wins at 3 and 5, \$26,806.

84 Curvie's Turn, dk.b./br.c. by Shy Native. Unraced.

85 No record.

86 Tweedle Dum, b.c. by Shy Native. Raced 1 year, 4 starts at 2, 0 wins, \$138.

87 Foal died; 88 barren.

89 SALUTER, b.g. by Salutely.

90 Slipped.

91 Turn to Avey, dk.b./br.f. by Avey's Brother. Unraced.

92 Slipped twins; 93 slipped.

94 Avey's Turn, dk.b./br.c. by Avey's Brother. Raced 1 year, 9 starts at 3, 0 wins, \$450.

95 Sal's Sis, dk.b./br.f. by Avey's Brother. Unraced.

96-97 Barren.

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
96	1	1	(In Ireland)	0	\$ 6,063
97 (sw)	3	2 (1)	0	0	25,108
98 (sw)	3	2 (1)	1 (1)	0	48,178
	7	5 (2)	1 (1)	0	\$79,349

(through May 2)

1997: 1st \$27,393 Trigo S, 1¼ mi., turf, 3 & up, Leopardstown, Ire., Oct. 27. **1998:** 1st \$28,414 Mooresbridge S, 1¼ mi., turf, 4 & up, Curragh, Ire., May 2; 2nd Tattersalls Gold Cup-G2.

Bred by Hickory Tree Farm, Inc. (Va.); owned by Michael W.J. Smurfit; trained by Dermot Weld.

Sire: THEATRICAL (Ire) stands at Brookside Farm, Versailles, Ky.

Dam: WOONG, b., 85, bred by Hickory Tree Farm (Va.). Raced 3 years, 12 starts, 3 wins, 3 and 4, \$92,790, Royal Crown New Castle H, 2nd Diana H-G2.

91 Committal, b.f. by Chief's Crown. Raced 2 years, 6 starts, 2 wins at 3, \$33,360. (Kee Sept 92—\$40,000)

92 Barren.

93 Celebrity Flight, ch.c. by Afleet. Raced 4 years, 27 starts, 2 wins at 3, \$46,900. (Kee Sept 94—\$15,000; FTM May 95—\$29,000)

94 STAGE AFFAIR, dk.b./br.c. by Theatrical (Ire). (Kee Sept 95—\$55,000)

95 Barren.

96 ch.c. by Gone West.

97 b.f. by Gone West.

SUE'S APRIL FOOL

Windfields Stakes

\$35,000-added, 1½ mi., 3 & up.
Pimlico, May 9.

Prince Aly	Raise a Native
Buck Aly	Restless Life
Argent's Snowball	Rose Argent
ch.g., 1994	Eos's Warrior
Kamehameha	*Hawaii
Cando Sue	Desk Set
Do's Ninkster	*Snow Twist
	Seven Sevens

	starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
96	unraced				
97	10	3	2 (1)	3	\$ 52,994
98 (sw)	8	3 (1)	0	1	60,940
	18	6 (1)	2 (1)	4	\$113,934

(through May 25)

1997: 2nd Virginia Stallion S. **1998:** 1st \$35,000 Windfields S, 1½ mi., 3 & up, Pimlico, May 9.

Bred by James P. McKenzie and Jeffery C. Reightler (Va.); owned by Ru-Man Stable; trained by Gerald C. Delp.

Sire: BUCK ALY stands at Raccoon Ford Farm, Mitchells, Va.

Dam: CANDO SUE, b., 82, bred by Newmarket Stables (Va.). Raced 5 years, 49 starts, 8 wins, 3 to 5, \$34,566.

90 Cando Buck, ch.c. by Buck Aly. Raced 3 years, 36 starts, 6 wins, 2 to 4, \$24,056.

91 Sue Ally May, dk.b./br.f. by Buck Aly. Raced 2 years, 13 starts, 2 wins at 4 and 5, \$5,357.

92-93 No record.

94 SUE'S APRIL FOOL, ch.g. by Buck Aly.

95 Sprin Buck, b.c. by Buck Aly. Raced 1 year, 1 start at 3, 0 wins, \$0.

96 Devilish Buck, ch.c. by Buck Aly. Unraced.

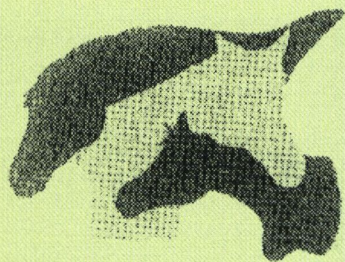
97 Slipped.

STAGE AFFAIR

Mooresbridge Stakes

\$28,414, 1¼ mi., turf, 4 & up.
Curragh, Ireland, May 2.

Nureyev	Northern Dancer
Theatrical (Ire)	Special
Tree of Knowledge (Ire)	Sassafras (Fr)
dk.b./br.c., 1994	Sensibility
Stage Door Johnny	Prince John
Woong	Peroxide Blonde
Minstinguette	Boldnesian
	Royal Warrant



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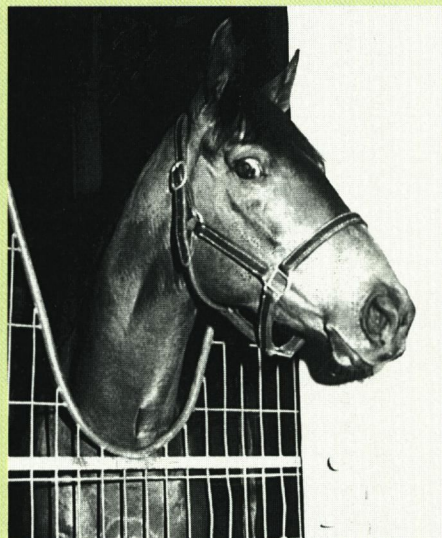
Gordon barn packs solid one-two punch

Richard Gordon attributes his fast start this year to "help around the barn," but the Charles Town-based trainer could easily point to two horses stabled in the barn as the key to success.

Mountaineer Zack has been a model of consistency throughout his career, winning 14 races and finishing in the money 36 times from 64 starts for co-owners John Blackford and Jeffrey Weller.

With more than \$48,000 in lifetime earnings, the 7-year-old West Virginia-bred gelding has upheld the reputation of his sire Cortan, a track record-holder at Penn National.

His three front-end victories at four and a half furlongs this year conjure
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Mountaineer Zack, a West Virginia-bred son of Cortan, is a model of consistency and has to his credit 14 career victories.

Stakes bell tolls for Bushs Boy

Move over Gypsy Outfit, you've got company. Robert Burch's **Bushs Boy** has emerged as a major threat to dethrone the runaway winner of last year's Frank Gall Stakes at Charles Town.

Bushs Boy raised some eyebrows at Charles Town with a six and a half-length victory in the \$10,000 Potomac Handicap on May 9. The 3-year-old gelding by red-hot stallion My Boy Adam overcame a rough start to cover seven furlongs in 1:26.71, the fastest time recorded in the first month over the new track surface.

He upstaged that performance with a second-place finish in the \$40,000-added Liberty Bell Stakes at Philadelphia Park on Memorial Day. Bushs Boy broke from post 11 on the sloppy track and might have won the mile and a sixteenth race if he hadn't lost momentum in midstretch. He finished third at 11-1 odds but was placed second through disqualification.

Like Gypsy Outfit, Bushs Boy is not nominated for the West Virginia Breeders Classics.

* Another horse sired by My Boy Adam won the \$10,000 Opequon Handicap at Charles Town. John Casey's **Doty's Best Yet** (\$13.80) held off the late-charging Dough Re Mi to win the seven-furlong race for fillies and mares by a half-length in 1:30.84. Lillian Kuykendall was aboard the 3-year-old winner for trainer Raymond Benton.

* Dorothy Lewis's **The Right Pinch** reasserted herself as one of the top mares on the grounds when she drew clear to win a \$5,200 starter allowance by three and three-quarter lengths in 1:20.01.

Winning trainer Joe Mazzacco said The Right Pinch suffered from an intestinal problem in a similar six and a half-furlong race two weeks earlier but, in winning, The Right Pinch looked more like the horse who won four consecutive allowance tests in December and January.

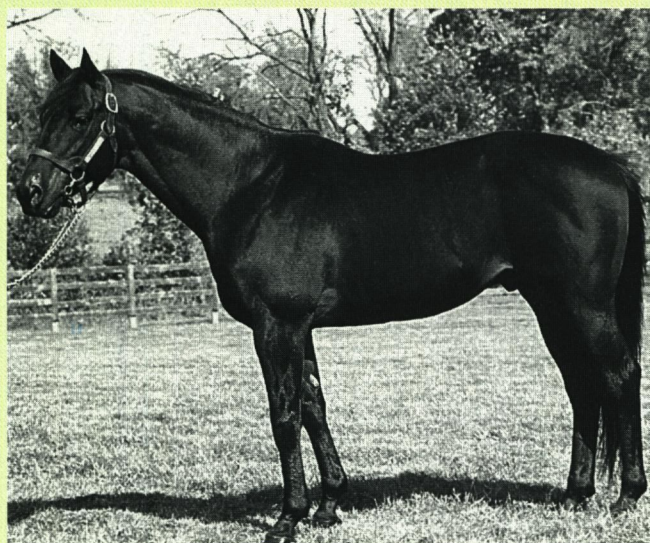
Mazzacco is pointing the 6-year-old toward the Why Jan Handicap series and the Sadie Hawkins Stakes this summer. The Right Pinch's dam Hutter Mountain won two stakes races at Charles Town.

"She wasn't right the time before," said Mazzacco. "Then she started eating right and got better."

* The rapidly improving **Bold Dreamer** rallied to win two allowance races in eight days for owner Eleanor Casey and trainer James W. Casey.

In similar fashion, the Caseys' **Binn Good** came from off the pace to win for the seventh time in the last eight months, and **Dancing Destiny** closed determinedly to win a \$6,300 allowance.

* In other May performances of note: Robert Hilton's **Little Re Re** won a \$7,500 claiming race for his third consecutive win off at least a one-month layoff. . . Stephen Spears's **Sharp's First** won a \$5,100 allowance



Feel the Power lives up to his name: full siblings by the West Virginia stallion each won a race at Charles Town on May 27. A 16-year-old horse by Raise a Native—Davona Dale, by Best Turn, Feel the Power stands at O'Sullivan Farms.

race in the slop. . . John Jones's 3-year-old filly **Amberlyn Brooke** won a \$12,500 claiming race by five and a half lengths. . . Clear View Farm's **New Bolt Reb** won for the third time in his last five starts. . . E. Eugene Clemmons' **Duex Soleil** and Sam English II's **Allison's Duchese** combined for a \$555.80 daily double . . . Dale Rice's **Classical Herb** won for the first time in two years at age 10 . . . Vicki Carlisle's **Swel Roll** (\$9.40) withstood a blistering 21.90 quarter-mile pace and won a \$5,100 allowance race at four and a half furlongs by two lengths.

* Burt Bacharach's sensational 3-year-old filly **Bang Up Play** surpassed \$50,000 in career earnings when she won a \$55,200 allowance race on the turf at Santa Anita on April 19.

Running on grass for the first time in six career starts, Bang Up Play blew the stretch turn badly in the one-mile race, but recovered in time to win by five and a half lengths in 1:37.4. Gary Stevens was aboard the West Virginia-bred daughter of Waquoit—Willya Play.

* Jockey Charles Forrest rode three winners for O'Sullivan Farms and trainer Eugene Smith on May 27 at Charles Town.

Forrest guided 3-year-old first-time starter **Beallair** to a 12-length victory at four and a half furlongs and he won aboard 4-year-old **Bullskin Run** in a \$5,100 allowance race to complete a four-for-four afternoon, the first of his career.

Beallair, a filly, and Bullskin Run, a gelding, are full siblings by O'Sullivan Farms's home stallion Feel the Power. Their dam is Cedar Lawn (by Shy Native).

NOTEBOOK

Charles Town's new racing strip produced slow times during the first month of live racing over it.

Track superintendent Roy Cave and his staff worked long hours to groom the track into racing shape as nearly 3,000 tons of sand and more than a ton of topsoil were spread on top of a Pennsylvania limestone base.

The project, the first of its kind since 1978, cost upward of \$300,000, according to director of racing Dickie Moore. "A couple of times we had seven or eight trucks running on and off the track, and a dozen or more guys working," said Cave.

The month's best performances were turned in by Clown's Destiny at four and a half furlongs (:52.57), The Right Pinch at six and a half furlongs (1:20.01), Bushs Boy at seven furlongs (1:26.71) and Cool Morning Love at a mile and a sixteenth (1:48.32).

Charles Town fans contributed to a record day of wagering on the Kentucky Derby. A crowd of 5,227 wagered \$189,163 on the Run for the Roses, contributing to an overall \$88.7-million handle on the race. Charles Town's total handle for the day was \$837,037.

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up memories of his first racing season, when he won four consecutive sprint races at Charles Town.

"I've always liked his consistency," said Weller, who once trained Mountaineer Zack. "But right now, he's as good as he's ever been."

Hit the Switch, a 7-year-old Feel the Power gelding, covered four and a half miles in the inaugural Shenandoah Handicap series last summer, and despite winning only once in six races, he earned the championship by finishing in the money four times.

Owner Garrett Bentz gave the horse a much-deserved two-month break in the winter, unaware Hit the Switch would come back better than ever.

Following two sub-par performances in allowance company, Hit the Switch won four of his next five races, all at Charles Town, all at seven furlongs and all in determined front-end fashion.

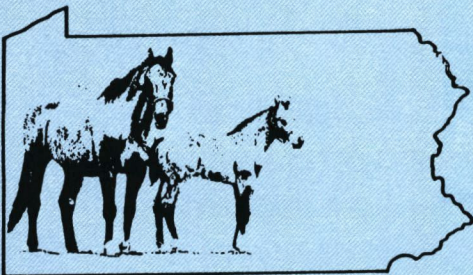
He failed to gain the respect of the bettors, who dismissed Hit the Switch at 12-1, 3-1, 9-2 and 6-1 odds, but he earned the utmost praise from jockeys William Sollars Jr. and Carol Rice.

"His personality hasn't changed," said Sollars, who rode Hit the Switch in the Shenandoah Handicap series and was the winning rider in a \$5,200 starter allowance April 18. "He's still all heart." *

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PENNSYLVANIA HORSE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

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Newsletter

Iroquois Awards dinner celebrates past, offers views of future

PENNSYLVANIA SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE Samuel E. Hayes urged the state's horsemen to work together to promote their agendas through the political process that thus far has stymied attempts to gain slots for Pennsylvania's race tracks, among other things.

Speaking at the 19th annual Iroquois Awards Banquet, hosted by the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association on May 21 at The Hotel Hershey, Hayes noted that any squabbling by the Standardbred and Thoroughbred industries—and publicized disagreements within the various Thoroughbred factions—may jeopardize favorable consideration by Gov. Tom Ridge. The Ridge administration appears willing to view racing as an agricultural endeavor that makes significant contributions to the state, and not merely a gaming offshoot.

Hayes's presence helped commemorate 50 years for the PHBA. Other dignitaries and invited guests from the race tracks and press joined association members in enjoying a video presentation of memorable moments in Pennsylvania horse breeding and racing. From Alphabet Soup to Yankee Affair, the horses have been stellar; from Richard Abbott to William Worthington, the board members have been hard-working; from Arthur E. Pew Jr. (in 1948) to Dr. William J. Solomon (current), the presidents have been tireless in promoting the industry that truly began when Pennsylvania-bred

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PA-bred stakes feature victories by Above the Light, Todd's Pick, Kingtester

THREE STAKES RACES FOR PENNSYLVANIA-BRED HORSES, WORTH A TOTAL of more than \$100,000, were run in May, with the May 30 Foxy J G Stakes at Philadelphia Park the most hotly contested.

Eight 3-year-old fillies, including favorite Barracouta, chased victorious **Above the Light** in the Foxy J G. Above the Light (by Sunny's Halo out of Anna's Angel, by Raised Socially), bred and owned by Jack Mondel's Hidden Lane Farms, scored by six and a half lengths, covering the seven furlongs in 1:22 $\frac{2}{5}$, with the three-quarters gotten in 1:09 $\frac{1}{5}$. The next four finishers were Polish the Cup, Sportin' Woman, Juniper Tree and Barracouta. Above the Light was trained by Guadalupe Preciado and ridden by Carlos Cruz. Polish the Cup was bred by Someday Farm and raced by Jeffrey Bowen and Lisa A. Necastro. Sportin' Woman raced for her breeder Dr. William J. Solomon.

Todd's Pick won the May 17 Danzig Stakes at Penn National, a six-furlong test for 3-year-olds. Bred by Blair E. Minnich, the gelding is raced by a partnership of trainer Todd M. Beattie, J. Ream and Chris Huber. Out of the Royal and Regal mare T. J.'s Pick, Todd's Pick is by deceased Sepa-

rate Realities, who stood in Pennsylvania at Land of Believe Farm near the race track. Todd's Pick defeated favorite Pal Joey, bred by Valerie C. McNeely and raced by Noreen Carpenito. Third was Carried Away, also trained by Beattie, bred and raced by Dr. Stephen E. Morrone. Todd's Pick's time with rider L. Vives was 1:11 $\frac{2}{5}$.

Kingtester, a gelded son of long-popular Pennsylvania sire Leematt (now deceased), won the May 2 Yankee Affair Handicap at Philadelphia Park. Himself the popular choice, Kingtester was bred by Ernest Biddle out of the Bailjumper mare Cadence Scarlet and raced by Biddle with partner Ernest Smith. Winning by nearly seven lengths under jockey Steve Capanas, Kingtester ran the mile and a sixteenth over a sloppy track in 1:43 $\frac{3}{5}$. Second and third were a pair of 8-year-old geldings, Rippleton Road (bred by Derry Meeting Farm and owned by Steven D. Schwartz) and My Brother George (bred by Thomas Charles and owned by Silver Hawk Stable).

PHBA board welcomes new directors Ray Hamm and Edward Marshall

RAY D. HAMM AND EDWARD E. MARSHALL were elected to the board of directors at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association on May 27. Also elected were current officers Bernard J. Daney, who has served as treasurer for 15 years, and Robert A. Szezyller, vice-president.

The four fill vacancies on the board that occurred due to expiring terms. Directors serve for four years. In March, the board resolved to reduce the number of directors from the previously mandated maximum of 24, to 18 this year, to 17 next year, and to 16 at the annual meeting in 2001.

Hamm and his wife Judy own 76-acre Charcoal Valley Farm in Stewartstown, York County, an area once known for making charcoal. Recently retired as international service manager for York International Corp., Hamm entered the Thoroughbred business a decade ago when he bought a 2-year-old in training—sight unseen—through an ad in the *Wall Street Journal*.

A rash decision? Hardly. The filly, Honey Czar, ran second in her first start at Philadelphia Park and won the next at Pimlico. The pleasure they derived from the experience—a reward of sorts for spending more than four years working in Saudi Arabia, away from their

two children then in college—convinced Ray and Judy to acquire more Thoroughbreds. “Judy spent months learning how to work with horses, at Dr. (William) Solomon’s farm. He really gave us a leg up,” says Hamm. When he had to return to Saudi Arabia for two more years, Judy stayed behind and cared for the horses.

The couple now owns three mares, whom they’ve bred to Corporate Report and Imperial Falcon, who stand at Dr. Solomon’s Pin Oak Lane Farm. They have yearling colts by Proud Truth and Compelling Sound, one of whom they’ll sell and one they’ll race. “We’re torn right now,” says Hamm, who currently has no horses racing. Last year they sold a Bates Motel yearling colt and a Press Card yearling filly. The filly is in training with Bruce Kravits and may well earn breeders awards for the Hamms.

The Hamms have a married son who lives in Lancaster. Their daughter and son-in-law, and three grandchildren, live in Arkansas. This will be Ray Hamm’s first term on the board.

Edward Marshall served two previous terms on the board. Owner of Falconridge Farm in Kirkwood, southern

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Reminder: second Futurity payment due July 1

THE SECOND PAYMENT TO NOMINATE 2-year-old registered Pennsylvania-breds for the Blue Mountain and Pennsylvania Futurities is due July 1. The \$50 payment to continue eligibility will be accepted only if the first payment of \$25, due April 15, was made on time. The third and final subscription payment of \$100 is due September 1. This year, no supplementary nominations will be allowed.

The 22nd running of the \$50,000-added Blue Mountain Futurity is for fillies at six furlongs and will be run Sunday, November 29 at Penn National. The 23rd running of the \$50,000-added Pennsylvania Futurity is for colts and geldings at seven furlongs and will be run Saturday, December 5.

An additional \$200 is required to pass the entry box. For nomination forms, contact the racing secretaries at either race track, or the Pennsylvania Horse Breeders Association office.

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Iroquois won the English Derby in 1881.

Mark McDermott and Dorothy Weber, executive and assistant secretaries of the PHBA, were helped by the *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred's* Lucy Acton in developing a 32-page glossy commemorative magazine, replete with photographs and profiles of influential and important horses and personalities. Copies are available free to PHBA members by calling the office.

The Agriculture Secretary's remarks preceded those delivered by Dr.

Solomon at the PHBA's annual meeting, held a week later at the Kennett Square Country Club. Solomon noted the political climate in Pennsylvania appears to be warming toward horse racing, and that after the November elections, there is a stronger possibility that a push for slots could be successful.

It's important that horsemen cultivate their peers instead of working alone, he said. By working together, both the Standardbred and Thoroughbred industries can demonstrate to the administration how critical it is that Pennsylvania horse racing stay on the cutting edge of technology.

PA sire Pok Ta Pok beats the odds

IN SOME BUSINESSES, IT INTRIGUES customers to have your product cloaked in mystery. In the world of Thoroughbred breeding, however, clients demand information. That makes Fred and Becky Ziegler's resurrection of the stallion Pok Ta Pok all the more remarkable.

The 13-year-old son of Full Pocket entered stud in 1991, for another owner, and immediately became a focus of legal wrangling. He had three foal-less years before the Zieglers acquired him.

From a tentative second "first" year at stud in 1995, at the Zieglers' Greenwich Hollow Farm in Kutztown, Pa., Pok Ta Pok has seven 2-year-olds of 1998. Half of the juveniles are galloping now, and all, the Zieglers hope, will get to the races.

Pok Ta Pok this year bred more than two dozen mares, including two for nationally known pedigree analyst Stanley Marcinkowski of Plowville, Pa. Marcinkowski has touted the horse for years to Mid-Atlantic breeders as a representative of the outstanding 8-C branch of sire-producing families, which has produced Storm Cat and Private Terms, as well Breeders' Cup winners Prized, Royal Academy, Epitome and Last Tycoon (Ire). Other top race horses descending from 8-C are John Henry and Ruffian, whose dam Shenanigans happens to be a half-sister to Pok Ta Pok's second dam, Leix.

The Zieglers had heard many of the hair-raising stories that swirled around the stallion, who—along with his registration papers—seemed to disappear when bank and auction officials staked claims back in the early 1990s.

The lone registered foal from his official first crop (My Girl Andrea, who made her debut last year at age 5, breaking her maiden in her second start) is a testament to the grit of her breeder, Shirley Lojeski, who spent two years slogging through paperwork for the registration. "I've been told so many things, I'm still not sure what is true and what isn't," says Fred Ziegler. "But I knew he was too nice a horse to be doing nothing."



Bred by Barbara Labrot in Virginia and trained for most of his career by her husband, Billy Turner, Pok Ta Pok was named for an ancient Mayan game. The horse won nine of 27 lifetime starts and earned \$339,463. In his next-to-last start, at 6, he won Philadelphia Park's Washington Crossing Stakes in 1:09 $\frac{1}{2}$. He'd shown the same speed or better in New York, breaking his maiden in 1:09 $\frac{1}{2}$ at 3 and going on to win the Grade 2 Bold Ruler Stakes, Roseben Handicap-G3 and Coaltown Stakes, and placing in three stakes, including the (Grade 1) Carter and (Grade 2) True North Handicaps. Among his world-class opponents were millionaire On the Line and Breeders' Cup Sprint-G1 winner Dancing Spree.

While his ability impressed them, it was Pok Ta Pok's pedigree that sold the Zieglers. They knew they'd need plenty of names—and numbers—to convince wary breeders that the stallion's "lost years" could be overcome. His sire, Full Pocket, won 27 races and sired 55 stakes winners. By Olden Times, Full Pocket traces through Relic to Man o' War, a sadly underutilized sire line.

Pok Ta Pok's dam, Tiy, by Nalees Man, has three crosses of the blue hen sire mare Plucky Liege and four crosses of the blue hen sire mare Lady Josephine, notes Marcinkowski. Tiy produced three stakes winners, as did her dam.

Third dam Bold Irish is the fourth dam of current top 3-year-old Coron-

ado's Quest. Marcinkowski predicts the notoriously temperamental Coronado's Quest will become a major sire. "There was a question about whether Damascus—broodmare sire of Coronado's Quest—was really by Sword Dancer or, instead, by *Ribot," says Marcinkowski. "If it was *Ribot, that gives Coronado's Quest two crosses and explains his hot behavior." More to the point, Coronado's Quest, like Pok Ta Pok, is from the 8-C branch of "can't-miss" sires. Other representatives are Victory Speech, Pioneering and Editor's Note.

"For Pennsylvania breeders, the majority of races are a mile and a sixteenth or under," says Marcinkowski. "Naturally, sprinting speed like Pok Ta Pok's is popular. But if you look at his dosage (the index is an eye-popping 35), you'll also see that he has 15 classic winners in his pedigree, versus Secretariat, with 12, and Northern Dancer, who had 17."

Mares by leading Pennsylvania stallion Nepal fit Pok Ta Pok well, Marcinkowski says, as Raja Baba is the ideal cross on Full Pocket. Also, for fans of doubling up on sire lines, daughters of the Pennsylvania stallion Two Davids—by Olden Times, as is Full Pocket—might cross well. The Zieglers haven't had the opportunity to breed either sort of mare yet, but they're pleased with the nice mares Pok Ta Pok has covered, such as Marcinkowski's Explosive Bid daughter Jazztime Blues, who won four consecutive sprints.

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Lancaster County, Marshall is the retired president of Huntingdon Industrial Co., a machinery packaging firm. He lives in Huntingdon Valley, Montgomery County.

An avid golfer, Marshall served for 31 years with the United States Golf

Association, and is past president of the Philadelphia Golf Association. Until a hip and knee replacement in the past year, he was also a lifelong foxhunter. Years ago, he succeeded Mrs. Henry D. Paxson as Master of the Huntingdon Valley Hunt. "My father was a foxhunter, and I grew up with horses," says Marshall.

For nearly 25 years, he has bred Thoroughbreds for sale and racing. Now down to one broodmare, who gave him a Nepal foal this year and is bred back to Norquestor, Marshall also has a Smarten yearling and a 2-year-old by Horatius.

Pennsylvania-bred stakes races

March 14, 1998 through December 5, 1998

Saturday, March 14	Philadelphia Park	LYMAN HANDICAP	\$30,000-added	3YO & Upward	6 fur.
Saturday, April 11	Philadelphia Park	DUO DISCO HANDICAP	\$30,000-added	3YO & Upward, Fillies & Mares	6 fur.
Sunday, April 19	Penn National	WONDERS DELIGHT STAKES	\$30,000-added	3YO Fillies	6 fur.
Saturday, April 25	Philadelphia Park	WORTHINGTON STAKES	\$30,000-added	3YO	6 fur.
Saturday, May 2	Philadelphia Park	YANKEE AFFAIR HANDICAP	\$35,000-added	3YO & Upward	1½ mi.
Sunday, May 17	Penn National	DANZIG STAKES	\$30,000-added	3YO	6 fur.
Saturday, May 30	Philadelphia Park	FOXY J.G. STAKES	\$35,000-added	3YO Fillies	7 fur.
Saturday, June 13	Philadelphia Park	RACE STREET HANDICAP	\$35,000-added	3YO & Upward, Fillies & Mares	7 fur.
Sunday, June 14	Penn National	LYPHARD STAKES	\$30,000-added	3YO	1 mi., turf
Sunday, June 28	Penn National	JOHN SHUMAKER STAKES	\$30,000-added	3YO Fillies	1 mi., turf
Saturday, July 4	Philadelphia Park	PEPPY ADDY STAKES	\$35,000-added	3 YO	7 fur.
Sunday, July 19	Penn National	BRODBECK MEMORIAL HANDICAP	\$30,000-added	3YO & Upward,	6 fur.
Sunday, Aug. 16	Penn National	DAINTY DOTSIÉ STAKES	\$30,000-added	3YO & Upward, Fillies & Mares	1½ mi., turf
Saturday, Aug. 29	Philadelphia Park	MRS. PENNY STAKES	\$25,000-added	3YO & Upward, PA-sired Fillies & Mares	6 fur.
Sunday, Sept. 6	Penn National	CAPITAL CITY STAKES	\$35,000-added	3YO & Upward	1½ mi., turf
Saturday, Sept. 19	Philadelphia Park	CAPTAIN MY CAPTAIN STAKES	\$25,000-added	3YO & Upward, PA-sired	7 fur.
Saturday, Oct. 10	Philadelphia Park	PISTOL PACKER HANDICAP	\$50,000-added	3 YO & Upward, Fillies & Mares	7 fur.
Saturday, Oct. 24	Philadelphia Park	PENNSYLVANIA SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP	\$75,000-added	3YO & Upward	7 fur.
Saturday, Nov. 14	Philadelphia Park	AMBASSADOR OF LUCK HANDICAP	\$35,000-added	3 YO & Upward, Fillies & Mares	1½ mi.
Saturday, Nov. 28	Philadelphia Park	IROQUOIS HANDICAP	\$40,000-added	3YO & Upward	1½ mi.
Sunday, Nov. 29	Penn National	BLUE MOUNTAIN FUTURITY	\$50,000-added	2YO Fillies	6 fur.
Saturday, Dec. 5	Philadelphia Park	PENNSYLVANIA FUTURITY	\$50,000-added	2YO Colts and Geldings	7 fur.

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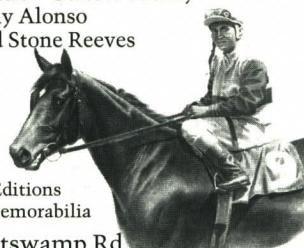
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MHBA election taps Garcia, Green, Pons, Voss, Wright

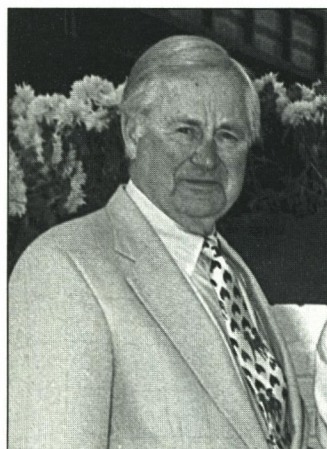
Two first-time directors joined the Maryland Horse Breeders Association board in the annual election held in May. They are Ronald S. Green, who with his wife Carolyn Green owns and manages Green Willow Farms in Westminster, and Frank P. Wright, proprietor with his wife Virginia of Huntingfields farm in Hampstead.

Also elected were incumbent Carlos A. Garcia and former directors Michael Pons and Katharine M. Voss, each of whom is returning to the board following an absence mandated after a director has served two consecutive three-year terms.

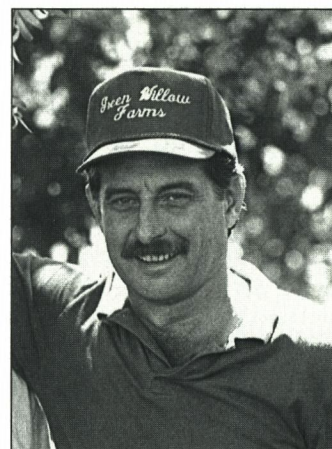
There are 15 members of the MHBA board, and five are elected each year to three-year terms. The terms of ten directors did not expire in 1998. They are William K. Boniface, Gerald M. Calhoun, Hal C.B. Clagett III, Judith Z. DiNatale, Donald P. Litz Jr., J.W.Y. Martin Jr., Ann W. Merryman, Wendy Moon, E. Allen Murray Jr. and James B. Steele.

Of the five directors whose terms expired this year, four were ineligible to stand for reelection because of having served six consecutive years as a board member. They are Stuart S. Janney III, King T. Leatherbury, Robert T. Manfuso and Joseph P. Pons Jr.

Election results were announced at the MHBA's annual



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general membership meeting, which took place May 28 at Pimlico race course.

Frank P. Wright (left) and Ronald S. Green were elected to their first terms as directors of the MHBA.

Melissa's Quickie makes it look easy at Fair Hill

by Joe Clancy Jr.

Owner/trainer Bruno Favre spent \$6,500 for Melissa's Quickie and six months getting the horse to his first steeplechase race last year. Grateful as only Thoroughbreds can be, Melissa's Quickie promptly rewarded Favre by bolting off course—and getting ruled off by the National Steeplechase Association—in his hurdle debut at Radnor.

Undaunted, the Bowie-based Favre went back to work. He

and wife Leslie schooled their horse over show fences, and ran him three times on the flat last summer. Favre even became a test pilot, getting Melissa's Quickie around a Middleburg point-to-point course last fall to get reinstated by the NSA. Beaten in two maiden races last October, Melissa's Quickie earned a winter vacation and more patience from Favre.

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Fair Hill

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Despite his unappreciative beginnings, Melissa's Quickie may turn out to be a bargain as he improved his 1998 record to a perfect two-for-two with a win in the \$25,000 Miles Valentine Novice Stakes at Fair Hill May 25. Roused by jockey Peter Walsh approaching the final turn, Melissa's Quickie sped past Ivory's Pleasure and Uncle Albie before the backside ended, took a clear lead into the final turn and held off Commanders Palace to win by a half-length.

The victory, which produced a \$31.40 payoff, delighted long-shot players among the 16,127 in attendance and keyed a \$261.40 exacta and a \$1,946 trifecta with third-place Neruda.

The victory was no shock to Walsh. "I tried to buy the horse last year because I thought he was all right," he said. "If he got too close to a wing then he'd bolt out with you, but he still looked like a nice type."

Walsh didn't complete the sale, but got on the horse for Favre at Middleburg April 18 and produced a maiden win. Fair Hill made it two in a row.

"He got caught a little flat-footed at the start so we were out the back but I think that helped him settle a bit," said Walsh. "I just left him alone, the inside opened up down the back and he did all the work to get up there."

And never even thought of bolting. Credit Favre, a native of France but ten-year U.S. resident, and wife Leslie with that. "We schooled him over show jumps and worked with him to teach him to jump again," said the trainer. "The horse is more seasoned now, and was just too green last year."

Not that he's an angel. "He's rotten, but I love him," said Leslie.

Trainer Tom Voss, whose seemingly endless steeplechase stable is the opposite of Favre's, nearly swept the rest of the Fair Hill card—winning two over hurdles, one over timber and one on the flat.

Steeplechase stakes winner Soaringoverseattle started the Voss skein, winning a flat race

for owner Warren Dempsey. Ridden with confidence by Jonathan Kiser, "SS" as he's called around the barn broke his flat maiden for a paltry \$1,000 purse with a late move in the stretch—looking every bit the 4-5 shot he was. Winner of the \$100,000 Atlanta Cup-NSA1 in April, Soaringoverseattle was prepping for the June 28 Hard Scuffle Stakes-NSA1 at Churchill Downs.

Over jumps, Voss went to work with his wife Mimi's Sam Sullivan in the James Stump Memorial over timber. A 5-year-old making his NSA timber debut, Sam Sullivan reeled in tiring pacesetter Gallant Pilot deep in the stretch to win by a length over Striking North. The winner rallied on the inside around the final turn of the three and a half-mile race, while the runner-up was forced wide.

Purchased as a babysitter for fellow yearling and future Maryland-bred steeplechase champion Teb's Bend, Sam Sullivan flashed similar form in two point-to-point wins (Elkridge-Harford and Winterthur) with Celeste Prouty aboard earlier this year.

"That horse has become an overachiever," said Voss. "He does what we ask him and I think he'll get better. The bigger the fences are the better he'll go."

One race later, Voss homebred Sky Buster dominated a \$15,000 maiden hurdle. Making most of the running for the final half of the race, the 4-year-old turned aside several attacks down the backside and on the final turn but drew off to a four and a half-length win. In a hunch player's dream exacta, Log Buster was second with Woody Creek third.

The first foal of another Voss homebred steeplechase winner, Fractious, Sky Buster endured a rough first few hours of life. "Fractious is well-named and was not a natural mother," said Mimi Voss. "She would not let Sky Buster near her at the beginning and we had to force her to let him get close. The minute he finally got to nurse, she accepted him and everything was fine."

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MARYLAND FUND REPORT

Conniver Stakes

March 1 (FIFTH DAY). Purse \$60,000-guaranteed. For 4-year-olds and up, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-breds. 7 furlongs. 10 competed. (Closed with 22 nominations.) Winner: BRUSH OVER, by Broad Brush. Breeder bonus: Robert E. Meyerhoff (\$3,842.50). Stallion bonus: None. Second: WEATHER VANE, by Willard Scott. Breeder bonus: William B. Delp (\$1,280.83). Stallion bonus: Quality Hill Stable and Murmur Farm (\$640.42). Third: TRUTH AND NOBILITY, by Proud Truth. Breeder bonus: Ann W. Merryman (\$704.46). Stallion bonus: Proud Truth Syndicate (\$352.23). Fourth: ASSAULT JOHN, by John Alden. Breeder bonus: Hal C.B. Clagett (\$384.25). Stallion bonus: John Alden Syndicate (\$192.12).

Goss L. Stryker Stakes

March 8 (TENTH DAY). Purse \$60,000-guaranteed. For 3-year-olds, registered Maryland-breds. 7 furlongs. 6 competed. (Closed with 17 nominations.) Winner: GREEN-SPRING WILLY, by Smarten. Breeder bonus: Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGinnes (\$3,842.50). Stallion bonus: Smarten Syndicate (\$1,921.25). Second: P DAY, by Private Terms. Breeder bonus: Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Hadry (\$1,280.83). Stallion bonus: None. Third: MALAKA HEAD, by Allen's Prospect. Breeder bonus: Robert T. Manfuso (\$704.46). Stallion bonus: Allen's Prospect Syndicate (\$352.23). Fourth: PLEASE BABY PLEASE, by Opening Verse. Breeder bonus: Richard L. Golden (\$384.25). Stallion bonus: Opening Verse Syndicate (\$192.12).

Politely Stakes

March 15 (FIFTEENTH DAY). Purse \$60,000-guaranteed. For 3-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-breds. 7 furlongs. 7 competed. (Closed with 16 nominations.) Winner: MZ. ANN, by Citidancer. Breeder bonus: Team Valor (\$3,842.50). Stallion bonus: Citidancer Syndicate (\$1,921.25). Second: TO LITTLE J D, by King's Nest. Breeder bonus: Glade Valley Farms, Inc. (\$1,280.83). Stallion bonus: None. Third: SONG REQUEST, by Norquestor. Breeder bonus: Robert D. Monahan (\$704.46). Stallion bonus: Norquestor Syndi-

cate (\$352.23). Fourth: MARA-GOLD PRINCESS, by Smarten. Breeder bonus: Ryver Meadow Farm (\$384.25). Stallion bonus: Smarten Syndicate (\$192.12).

Breeder bonuses

Everett Ayers—GLADYS J: Mar. 14, 8th race, \$1,946.86.
William M. Backer—FESQUE: Mar. 1, 6th race, \$1,216.79.
Mar. 26, 6th race, \$1,338.47. (\$2,555.26)
Charles N. Bassford—CLEVER FEATHERS: Feb. 27, 9th race, \$486.72.
Mrs. James A. Bayard—CENTURION: Mar. 4, 6th race, \$1,216.79.
Mrs. Robert L. Beall—FIRESIDE BRASS: Feb. 28, 10th race, \$1,414.79; Mar. 22, 9th race, \$5,198.58. (\$6,613.37)
Sandra Bender and Howard M. Bender—STREAM CROSSING: Mar. 12, 8th race, \$1,764.35.
Karen Benishoff—SHE'S NO TEN: Mar. 27, 1st race, \$730.07.
Louis D. Bernier Jr.—R B'S SNIPE: Mar. 7, 3rd race, \$839.59.
Bonita Farm—TESTAFLY: Mar. 28, 7th race, \$1,581.83.
Frank A. Bonsal Jr.—THAT'S LUCKY: Mar. 21, 3rd race, \$1,131.62.
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and Allen's Prospect Syndicate—I CANT HELP MYSELF: Mar. 1, 3rd race, \$425.88.
Buckingham Farm—DEVIL'S REACH: Mar. 6, 5th race, \$577.98; Mar. 21, 6th race, \$657.07. (\$1,235.05)
Mrs. Raymond Burnette—BILL LUCKETT: Mar. 8, 3rd race, \$456.30.
Ronald Cartwright—CARNIVAL EXPRESS: Mar. 8, 5th race, \$547.56. ROBY: Mar. 6, 6th race, \$999.05. (\$1,546.61)
Hal C.B. and Jeanne F. Clagett—ALDEN'S RAINBOW: Mar. 13, 5th race, \$766.58. COMPELLING AMBITION: Mar. 25, 9th race, \$486.72. (\$1,253.30)
Hal C.B. Clagett—AMBIT'S BULLET: Mar. 20, 6th race, \$1,338.47. ASSAULT JOHN: Mar. 1, 9th race, \$384.25; Mar. 14, 10th race, \$635.72. CITISPHINX: Mar. 11, 5th race, \$365.04. DOUBLE BULLET: Feb. 26, 4th race, \$620.56. (\$3,344.04)
Albert H. Cohen and Randy L. Cohen—EASTERN GLOW: Feb. 27, 5th race, \$912.59. SCREEN DOOR SLAM: Mar. 12, 9th race, \$657.07. (\$1,569.66)
Alton H. Cunningham—MIDNITE BLIZZARD: Mar. 13, 6th race, \$1,216.79.
William B. Delp—WEATHER VANE: Mar. 1, 9th race, \$1,280.83.
Derby Hill Farm—FAST QUADRANT: Mar. 22, 6th race, \$851.75. ILLEGAL MOTION: Mar. 21, 1st race, \$851.75. SPEAK YOUR MIND: Mar. 4, 9th race, \$790.91. UP IN THE AIR: Mar. 15, 6th race, \$1,338.47. (\$3,832.88)
Gerald C. Dickens—MERENGUE: Mar. 29, 3rd race, \$1,216.79.
Dumbarton Farm—ROYAL CONE: Feb. 25, 2nd race, \$766.58.
Joyce A. Elben—EXCELLENT SEAQUEST: Mar. 20, 2nd race, \$547.56.
Rose M. Estes—HEAVENLY ECLIPSE: Mar. 18, 8th race, \$1,642.67.
Annette Eubanks—HERE'S GOLD: Mar. 19, 9th race, \$730.07.
Robert H. Fahrmey—BALLISTIC BY NATURE: Mar. 22, 1st race, \$486.72.
M. William Fenton—SERVE: Mar. 6, 7th race, \$1,338.47.
John W. and Aileen D. Ferguson—AILEEN'S COUNTESS: Feb. 28, 8th race, \$2,190.22.
Steve Ferguson—FERGIE'S WITCH: Mar. 20, 9th race, \$1,095.11.
William T. Fitzgibbons Sr.—D. L. SPRING: Mar. 11, 2nd race, \$943.01; Mar. 25, 4th race, \$1,338.47. IRISH CLOUD: Mar. 5, 4th race, \$1,058.61; Mar. 21, 7th race, \$1,058.61. MAJESTIC CLOUD: Mar. 27, 4th race, \$699.65. (\$5,098.35)
Eugene Ford—CAVEAT COMPETOR: Mar. 6, 6th race, \$999.05.
Dr. and Mrs. Timothy J. Gardner—BALTIMORE GRAY: Feb. 28, 11th race, \$1,216.79. TWICE AS SPECIAL: Mar. 18, 7th race, \$1,825.19. (\$3,041.98)

Statistics for Pimlico at Laurel Meet: February 23 through March 29, 1998

<u>Total handle</u>	<u>Funds available to Maryland Fund*</u>	<u>Breakage</u>	<u>Surplus (deficit) from previous meeting</u>	<u>Distributed</u>
\$47,182,656	\$430,560	\$10,928	(\$54,505)	\$472,318

Fund expenditures:	
Distributions other than purses:	
Yearling Show.....	\$ 6,250
Breeder awards.....	138,572
Stallion awards.....	49,936
Owner awards.....	76,356
Maryland Million purses.....	21,877
Administration.....	23,028
Total	\$316,018

Purses in Maryland Fund races:	
Available for purses.....	\$152,712
Surplus (deficit) from previous meeting.....	(54,505)
	98,207
Purse distribution	156,300
Surplus (deficit) to be carried over.....	(\$58,093)

*Since August 1993, simulcast fees have been deducted daily—available funds are at net.

Jonathan Porter Ginn and Kerri Younglove Ginn—INSANE TESTAMONY: Feb. 28, 6th race, \$766.58.

Glade Valley Farms, Inc.—TO LITTLE J D: Mar. 15, 9th race, \$1,280.83.

Jim Glenn and Country Life Farm—CLEVER CARNI: Mar. 13, 8th race, \$1,460.15.

Richard L. Golden—PLEASE BABY PLEASE: Mar. 8, 9th race, \$384.25.

Estate of C. Oliver Goldsmith—CALLED TO SPEAK: Feb. 27, 6th race, \$730.07; Mar. 27, 9th race, \$730.07. FARWELL LOOK: Mar. 19, 4th race, \$1,338.47. HAY TALK: Mar. 27, 6th race, \$766.58. ICE AND HAY: Mar. 20, 5th race, \$985.60. (\$4,550.79)

Barbara C. Graham—ALGAR: Mar. 22, 9th race, \$519.91.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Hadry—P DAY: Mar. 8, 9th race, \$1,280.83.

Doris G. Hancock—ANTHERIUM: Mar. 15, 5th race, \$669.23.

Milton P. Higgins III and Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman—G. O'KEEFE: Mar. 14, 10th race, \$3,467.85.

William P. Hill—MONK'S FALCON: Mar. 6, 8th race, \$1,460.15; Mar. 28, 10th race, \$3,496.67. (\$4,956.82)

Hutchison Farm—ARCOIA VILLAGE: Feb. 25, 5th race, \$456.30.

Robert L. Ingham—PRAISE HEAVEN: Feb. 28, 10th race, \$778.11; Mar. 22, 9th race, \$953.05. (\$1,731.16)

Stuart S. Janney III and Sheila J. Williams—JUST FOR LAUGHS: Mar. 8, 2nd race, \$912.59.

Richard H. Jenkins—BRILLIANT INVESTMENT: Mar. 28, 4th race, \$395.46.

John F. Jones Jr.—COUNTRY LIFE MISS: Mar. 8, 1st race, \$1,034.27.

Thomas J. Kennedy Jr.—SEMPER FIDELIS: Mar. 20, 3rd race, \$517.14.

Marilyn S. Ketts—TAKE THE STAND: Mar. 14, 11th race, \$730.07.

Ida May Kidwell—SLEW O'QUOT: Mar. 20, 7th race, \$1,338.47.

J. Gordon Kincheloe—JOLLY PUNCH: Mar. 26, 4th race, \$1,399.31.

Patrick Konkka and Maureen Johnson—BALMER JOE: Mar. 14, 6th race, \$882.17.

Arlene E. Kushner—HILARY EDEN: Feb. 26, 3rd race, \$1,058.61.

David C. Lentz—CRAFTY REASON: Mar. 19, 7th race, \$839.59.

Nancy M. Leonard Living Trust—FIND THE FACTS: Mar. 28, 10th race, \$641.06.

Eleanor J. Love-Ammermann—HARRY'S LAST LOVE: Mar. 1, 8th race, \$1,338.47.

Wendy Lyons—FLYING PUNCH: Mar. 29, 6th race, \$985.60.

Manfuso Brothers Investments—HAIL ME NOW: Mar. 18, 2nd race, \$395.46.

Estate of John A. Manfuso Sr.—A GOOD POLE: Mar. 20, 1st race, \$517.14.

Robert T. Manfuso—MALAKA HEAD: Mar. 8, 9th race, \$704.46.

Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss—SEWICKLEYVILLE: Feb. 26, 9th race, \$730.07.

Patricia A. Masden—GEORGE CHESHIRE: Mar. 22, 10th race, \$1,216.79.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McGinness—GREENSPRING WILLY: Mar. 8, 9th race, \$3,842.50. OLIVER'S STAR: Feb. 26, 8th race, \$1,764.35. (\$5,606.85)

Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud—CLASS SMASH: Mar. 14, 2nd race, \$766.58.

Ann W. Merryman—TRUTH AND NOBILITY: Mar. 1, 9th race, \$704.46; Mar. 14, 10th race, \$1,155.95. (\$1,860.41)

Edwin and Sarah Merryman—MAGIC PENCIL: Mar. 7, 9th race, \$1,460.15.

Katharine W. Merryman Revocable Trust—I SMOKIN: Mar. 7, 8th race, \$1,825.19.

Robert E. Meyerhoff—BRUSH OVER: Mar. 1, 9th race, \$3,842.50. FROTAGE: Mar. 7, 2nd race, \$395.46. (\$4,237.96)

Raymond E. Miller—R B'S DANCER: Mar. 13, 3rd race, \$486.72.

Gretchen B. Mobberley—PAULINE'S PROSPECT: Mar. 7, 4th race, \$1,338.47. SET THE PACE: Feb. 28, 1st race, \$1,058.61. (\$2,397.08)

Preston I. Moffett—JOVE STONE: Mar. 21, 9th race, \$3,381.40.

Robert D. Monahan—SONG REQUEST: Mar. 15, 9th race, \$704.46.

Richard D. Norling—AXE ME TO WALTZ: Mar. 25, 2nd race, \$669.23.

Francis J. O'Toole—LEADING QUESTION: Mar. 12, 6th race, \$1,764.35.

Pine Brook Farm—PROMPT PAYMENT: Mar. 13, 7th race, \$1,460.15.

Mike Pino and John Bosley—TEN DOWN: Mar. 11, 4th race, \$620.56.

Charles E. Reithmeyer—FOXIE G: Mar. 20, 4th race, \$1,216.79.

Ryehill Farm—FINAL WARNING: Mar. 4, 4th race, \$1,399.31.

Ryder Meadow Farm—MARAGOLD PRINCESS: Mar. 15, 9th race, \$384.25.

Arnold Smolen—PARISH WHIRL: Mar. 12, 2nd race, \$669.23.

WHAT A DILEMMA: Mar. 29, 10th race, \$1,460.15. (\$2,129.38)

Corinne Christmas Sullivan—GENERAL PERSHING: Mar. 29, 4th race, \$766.58.

Michael T. Sutherland—OH FLUTTER: Mar. 20, 8th race, \$1,338.47.

George Swape—ADMIRAL BO: Mar. 6, 4th race, \$1,216.79.

Mrs. Carlyne Tapscott—SKEETS CASHADVANCE: Mar. 28, 5th race, \$1,216.79.

Team Valor—MZ ANN: Mar. 15, 9th race, \$3,842.50.

Thornmar—ORIGINAL GRAY: Mar. 4, 8th race, \$1,825.19; Mar. 21, 9th race, \$338.14. SWEETER HALF: Feb. 28, 2nd race, \$730.07. (\$2,893.40)

William H. Vermillion—CRION: Mar. 26, 9th race, \$730.07.

Kennard Warfield Jr.—GIVE A LITTLE LOVE: Mar. 22, 3rd race, \$577.98.

Windward Farm—GO IN PEACE: Mar. 26, 7th race, \$1,058.61.

Bob and Eve Zindorf—PROSPECTS COPPER: Feb. 25, 3rd race, \$1,216.79.

Owner bonuses
August VIII Stable—GO IN PEACE: Mar. 26, 7th race, \$1,292.10.

Everett Ayers—GLADYS J: Mar. 14, 8th race, \$2,376.27.

William M. Backer—FESCUE: Mar. 1, 6th race, \$1,485.17; Mar. 26, 6th race, \$1,633.69. (\$3,118.86)

Mrs. James A. Bayard—CENTURION: Mar. 4, 6th race, \$1,485.17.

Sandra D. Bender—STREAM CROSSING: Mar. 12, 8th race, \$2,153.50.

Karen M. Benshoff—FAST QUADRANT: Mar. 22, 6th race, \$1,039.62.

Frank A. Bonsal Jr.—THAT'S LUCKY: Mar. 21, 3rd race, \$1,381.21.

J.D. Brown, N. Asomani and J. Ware—TESTAFLY: Mar. 28, 7th race, \$1,930.72.

Phillip L. Capuano—FOXIE G: Mar. 20, 4th race, \$1,485.17.

Ronald Cartwright—ROBY: Mar. 6, 6th race, \$1,219.40.

Circled Horse Racing Stable—WHAT A DILEMMA: Mar. 29, 10th race, \$1,782.20.

Hal C.B. Claggett—AMBIT'S BULLET: Mar. 20, 6th race, \$1,633.69.

Robert L. Cole Jr.—D. L. SPRING: Mar. 25, 4th race, \$1,633.69.

Conover Stable—ORIGINAL GRAY: Mar. 4, 8th race, \$2,227.75.

Country Life VIII—CLEVER CARNI: Mar. 13, 8th race, \$1,782.20.

Country Life Farm XI—PROSPECTS COPPER: Feb. 25, 3rd race, \$1,485.17.

Double M Farm—FINAL WARNING: Mar. 4, 4th race, \$1,707.94.

Marshall E. Dowell—SERVE: Mar. 6, 7th race, \$1,633.69.

Hargrett Farm—AILEEN'S COUNTESS: Feb. 28, 8th race, \$2,673.30.

Steve Ferguson—FERGIE'S WITCH: Mar. 20, 9th race, \$1,336.65.

Flag Stable, Inc.—TWICE AS SPECIAL: Mar. 18, 7th race, \$2,227.75.

Eugene Ford—CAVEAT COMPETOR: Mar. 6, 6th race, \$1,219.40.

Linda Gaudet and Morris Bailey—FARWELL LOOK: Mar. 19, 4th race, \$1,633.69.

Leslie G. Glazier—ILLEGAL MOTION: Mar. 21, 1st race, \$1,039.62. UP IN THE AIR: Mar. 15, 6th race, \$1,633.69. (\$2,673.31)

Milton Higgins III—MERENGUE: Mar. 29, 3rd race, \$1,485.17.

William P. Hill—MONK'S FALCON: Mar. 6, 8th race, \$1,782.20.

Stuart S. Janney III—JUST FOR LAUGHS: Mar. 8, 2nd race, \$1,113.88.

Kidwell's Petite Stable—SLEW O'QUOT: Mar. 20, 7th race, \$1,633.69.

Herbert W. Kushner—HILARY EDEN: Feb. 26, 3rd race, \$1,292.10.

Larry C. Lamparter—ADMIRAL BO: Mar. 6, 4th race, \$1,485.17.

Robert T. Manfuso—MAGIC PENCIL: Mar. 7, 9th race, \$1,782.20.

Patricia A. Masden—GEORGE CHESHIRE: Mar. 22, 10th race, \$1,485.17.

Katharine W. Merryman Revocable Trust—I SMOKIN: Mar. 7, 8th race, \$2,227.75.

Gretchen B. Mobberley—PAULINE'S PROSPECT: Mar. 7, 4th race, \$1,633.69.

Jean B. Morris—COUNTRY LIFE MISS: Mar. 8, 1st race, \$1,262.39.

William F. O'Keefe—PROMPT PAYMENT: Mar. 13, 7th race, \$1,782.20.

Francis J. O'Toole—LEADING QUESTION: Mar. 12, 6th race, \$2,153.50.

John W. Polek—OH FLUTTER: Mar. 20, 8th race, \$1,633.69.

S & K Stable—HEAVENLY ECLIPSE: Mar. 18, 8th race, \$2,004.98.

Theodore Sanford Jr.—OLIVER'S STAR: Feb. 26, 8th race, \$2,153.50.

Estate of Boyd M. Sears Jr.—BALTIMORE GRAY: Feb. 28, 11th race, \$1,485.17.

Mrs. Carlyne Tapscott—SKEETS CASHADVANCE: Mar. 28, 5th race, \$1,485.17.

Costas N. Triantifilos—JOLLY PUNCH: Mar. 26, 4th race, \$1,707.94.

ZWP Stable—HARRY'S LAST LOVE: Mar. 1, 8th race, \$1,633.69.

Stallion bonuses
AARON'S CONCORDE (Hilary Eden: Feb. 26, 3rd race, \$529.30): Arlene E. Kushner.

ALLEN'S PROSPECT (I Cant Help Myself: Mar. 1, 3rd race, \$212.94. Malaka Head: Mar. 8, 9th race, \$352.23.

Pauline's Prospect: Mar. 7, 4th race, \$669.23. Prospects Copper: Feb. 25, 3rd race, \$608.40): Allen's Prospect Syndicate—\$1,842.80.

AMERRICO'S BULLET (Ambit's Bullet: Mar. 20, 6th race, \$669.23): Americo's Bullet Partnership.

ANOTHER REEF (Eastern Glow: Feb. 27, 5th race, \$456.30): Another Reef Syndicate.

CARNIVALAY (Balmer Joe: Mar. 14, 6th race, \$441.09. Carnival Express: Mar. 8, 5th race, \$273.78. Clever Carni: Mar. 13, 8th race, \$730.07. Farwell Look: Mar. 19, 4th race, \$669.23. Royal Cone: Feb. 25, 2nd race, \$383.29): Carnivalay Syndicate—\$2,497.46.

CAVEAT (Caveat Competor: Mar. 6, 6th race, \$499.52. Final Warning: Mar. 4, 4th race, \$699.65): Caveat Syndicate—\$1,199.17.

CITIDANCER (Citiphinx: Mar. 11, 5th race, \$182.52. Country Life Miss: Mar. 8, 1st race, \$517.14. Mz. Ann: Mar. 15, 9th race, \$1,921.25): Citidancer Syndicate—\$2,620.91.

CLASS CHIEF (Class Smash: Mar. 14, 2nd race, \$383.29): Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud.

CLEVER CHAMP (Here's Gold: Mar. 19, 9th race, \$365.04. Midnight Blizzard: Mar. 13, 6th race, \$608.40): Clever Champ Syndicate—\$973.44.

COMPELLING SOUND (Compelling Ambition: Mar. 25, 9th race, \$243.36): Compelling Sound Syndicate.

DANCING COUNT (Aileen's Countess: Feb. 28, 8th race, \$1,095.11): Dancing Count Syndicate.

DEPUTED TESTAMONY (Insane Testimony: Feb. 28, 6th race, \$383.29. Magic Pencil: Mar. 7, 9th race, \$730.07. Testafly: Mar. 28, 7th race, \$790.91): Deputed Testimony Syndicate—\$1,904.27.

EASTOVER COURT (Fast Quadrant: Mar. 22, 6th race, \$425.88): James Ryan Jr.

HAIL EMPEROR (Hail Me Now: Mar. 18, 2nd race, \$197.73): Hail Emperor Syndicate.

HASTY SPRING (Illegal Motion: Mar. 21, 1st race, \$425.88): Hasty Spring Syndicate.

HAY HALO (Hay Talk: Mar. 27, 6th race, \$383.29. Ice and Hay: Mar. 20, 5th race, \$492.80): Robert E. Meyerhoff—\$876.09.

HORATIUS (Algar: Mar. 22, 9th race, \$259.96. Devil's Reach: Mar. 6, 5th race, \$288.99; Mar. 21, 6th race, \$328.53.

Foxie G: Mar. 20, 4th race, \$608.40. Go In Peace: Mar. 26, 7th race, \$529.30. Oliver's Star: Feb. 26, 8th race, \$882.17. Prompt Payment: Mar. 13, 7th race, \$730.07): Horatius Syndicate—\$3,627.42.

JANE'S DILEMMA (Crafty Reason: Mar. 19, 7th race, \$419.79. What a Dilemma: Mar. 29, 10th race, \$730.07): Jane's Dilemma Syndicate—\$1,149.86.

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AMICOUNT, by Jordana's Count, b.c., April 8, by Banmyrh. William Harris. Mare to Bankbook.

ANNALONG, by Crafty Prospector, dk.b./br.c., February 27, by Valley Crossing. Cary Jackson. Mare to Norquestor.

BACK HOME AGAIN, by Dancing Count, b.f., March 22, by Smarten. Joanne K. Szymanski. Mare to Not For Love.

BANNER YET WAIVE, by Jolly Johu, gr./ro.f., May 9, by Oh Say. J. Gordon Kincheloe. Mare to Waquoit.

BEST MISS, by Northern Best, ch.f., April 22, by Allen's Prospect. Alvin Akman.

BLUE SLIP, by Lines of Power, dk.b./br.c., March 27, by Private Key. Lancer Stable. Mare to Private Key.

BRONZE MOTEL, by Bates Motel, ch.f., January 19, by Lite Fuse. Theodore Montuori. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

CANBY ROAD, by Comical Clown, b.f., March 28, by Carnivalay. Peter C. Burnett. Mare to Citidancer.

CAYMAN AGRESSOR, by Citidancer, b.c., March 11, by Press Card. Sarum Stable. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

CLASS AWARD, by Class Chief, b.c., April 1, by Waquoit. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Norquestor.

CLASS VOW, by Spring Double, b.f., April 17, by Northern Baby. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Opening Verse.

CLAVIER NOTE, by Clavier, ch.c., March 29, by Class Secret. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Class Secret.

CLEF'S PROVERB, by Providential (Ire), dk.b./br.f., February 26, by John Alden. Robert Sears.

CLEVER MARY, by Clever Champ, b.f., April 9, by Turkoman. Donald R. Reuwer Jr.

COLT'S PET, by Northern Raja, b.f., April 10, by Pleasant Line. William E. Norris. Mare to Pleasant Line.

COMPLETE RAINBOW, by Completed, ch.f., February 12, by Class Secret. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Class Secret.

COMPLETE RHYTHM, by Completed, gr./ro.f., March 8, by Class Secret. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Class Secret.

COMPLETE VERSE, by Completed, b.f., May 4, by Class Secret. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Class Secret.

CORMORANT'S FLIGHT, by Cormorant, dk.b./br.f., March 29, by Allen's Prospect. Marathon Farm, Inc. Mare to Mountain Cat.

CROUSE MILL, by Strike Gold, b.c., March 13, by Two Punch. Marathon Farm, Inc. Mare to Two Punch.

CUT LEAF, by *Forli, dk.b./br.f., May 2, by Shafrazi. Kerri Younglove Ginn. Mare to Deputed Testamony.

CYNICISM, by Riverman, b.f., April 11, by Polish Numbers. Two Rivers Farm. Mare to Norquestor.

DANCE RENEE, by Green Dancer, dk.b./br.f., February 16, by Wayne County (Ire). Murmur Farm. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

DANCING SMART, by Smarten, dk.b./br.c., April 5, by Rakeen. Charles Heath. Mare to Waquoit.

DELTA CRUCIS, by North Pole, b.f., February 23, by Bankbook. Leo Ambrogio.

DELTATARE, by Raconteur, dk.b./br.c., March 10, by Private Key. Lancer Stable. Mare to Private Key.

DIRECTRESS, by First Landing, b.c., April 8, by Shafrazi. Kerri Younglove Ginn.

DIXIE ACCENT, by Dixieland Band, b.c., April 3, by A.P. Indy. Bayard Sharp.

EVELENE, by Cozzene, ch.c., March 26, by Allen's Prospect. Alfred H. Smith Jr. Mare to Prenup.

EXTRUSION, by Lord Gaylord, b.c., April 19, by Purple Comet. Alice M. Dibben.

FAST LANE FERGIE, by Sir Raleigh, blk.c., May 16, by Root Boy. Alfred H. Smith Jr. Mare to Linkage.

FAST TIPPER, by Exceller, b.f., May 2, by Dixieland Band. Dresden Farm.

FIGHTING COUNTESS, by Ring-side, b.f., April 7, by Wayne County (Ire). Kaygar Stable and Richard Kaster. Mare to Storm Cat.

GENES COUNT, by Northern Prospect, b.f., March 27, by Compelling Sound. Copperville Farm.

GLASS TREE, by Air Forbes Won, dk.b./br.f., March 13, by Two Punch. Nonsequitur Stable, LLC. Mare to Press Card.

GOLDBASKET, by Bounding Basque, b.f., March 3, by Compelling Sound. Marathon Farm, Inc. Mare to Carnivalay.

GOLD ON THE ROCKS, by Sunny Clime, b.c., March 15, by Polish Numbers. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Class Secret.

HALOREO, by Exceller, b.f., April 23, by Class Secret. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud. Mare to Class Secret.

IRISH IVOR, by Sir Ivor Again, b.f., January 25, by Wayne County (Ire). Helen M. Kelly. Mare to Norquestor.

ISMELDA, by Wavering Monarch, ch.f., April 22, by Gulch. Bayard Sharp.

JACOBAN STYLE, by John Alden, b.f., March 22, by Wayne County (Ire). Michael O'Brien. Mare to Root Boy.

JAMIE'S INTENT, by Full Intent, blk.f., May 2, by Life of Raleigh. Alfred H. Smith Jr. Mare to Secret Hello.

JAVA RAIN, by Java Gold, b.f., March 9, by Torrential. Elk Manor Farm. Mare to Boone's Mill.

JOHNANDJO, by Well Decorated, dk.b./br.c., April 13, by Norquestor. Everett Ayers. Mare to One Tuff Oop.

JOHN D'S GIRL, by Rollicking, ch.c., March 14, by Providential (Ire). Kimberley Blizzard. Mare to Hail Emperor.

JOVE'S DAUGHTER, by Northern Jove, dk.b./br.c., April 23, by Rinka Das. Linell C. Smith. Mare to Proud Truth.

JUNIE D'OR, by Medaille d'Or, ch.f., April 22, by Pleasant Line. Whiteford Manor Thoroughbreds. Mare to Pleasant Line.

KLASSY BRIEFCASE, by Medieval Man, b.c., April 3, by Miesque's Son. Elk Manor Farm. Mare to Phone Trick.

LADY DEMURE, by Sir Raleigh, b.c., March 8, by Root Boy. Mary Frances Hughes. Mare to Norquestor.

LADY OF VISION (Ire), by Vision, b.c., April 28, by Distant View. Frank O'Toole.

LA SARTO, by Cormorant, b.c., February 28, by Polish Numbers. Elk Manor Farm. Mare to French Deputy.

LEEHAWK, by Stutz Blackhawk, b.f., March 26, by Proud Truth. Whiteford Manor Thoroughbreds.

LIVING PROMISE, by Mulberry (Fr), b.c., March 7, by Norquestor. Three King Stable. Mare to Root Boy.

LOVE AND KISSES, by Viceregal, ch.f., February 21, by Proud Truth. Linell C. Smith. Mare to Compelling Sound.

LOVE ME A LOT, by T. V. Commercial, b.f., February 13, by Valley Crossing. Marathon Farm, Inc. Mare to Pioneering.

LUCKY LADY SARAH, by Polish Numbers, dk.b./br.f., March 30, by Wayne County (Ire). Harold Greenberg. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

MARCASITE MOON, by Ringside, b.f., April 12, by Deerhound. Kaygar Stable.

MARINE BRAT, by Marine Brass, gr./ro.c., April 21, by Purple Comet. Kathleen Dibben. Mare to Goldlust.

MARY BO PEEP, by Turn to Bo, ch.f., May 11, by Opening Verse. George Swope. Mare to Rakeen.

McFROLIC, by Rollicking, b.f., February 25, by Norquestor. Ellen Fredel. Mare to Deputed Testamony.

MICKEY'S BRASS, by Marine Brass, b.c., March 24, by Pleasant Line. Wendy Hutchins. Mare to Pleasant Line.

MILITARY MARGRET, by Wise Exchange, blk.c., May 9, by Lord Parham. Linell C. Smith. Mare to Rinka Das.

MISS RAFFERTY, by Rambunctious, dk.b./br.c., May 5, by Norquestor. Linell C. Smith. Mare to Rinka Das.

MISS RUDY T., by Lord Gaylord, b.c., April 17, by Polish Numbers. Victor Ives, Thomas Bowman and Richard Golden.

MISTY PASS, by Fast Passer, dk.b./br.c., April 13, by Private Key. William Harris.

MISTY QUEST, by Norquestor, b.f., March 10, by Wayne County (Ire). William Harris. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

MODELING CLAY, by Miswaki, b.c., April 9, by Kingmambo. Bayard Sharp.

MONTANA MISS, by Waquoit, b.f., April 15, by Class Secret. Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud.

MY CYNARA, by Bold Reason, b.f., April 12, by Proud Truth. Whiteford Manor Thoroughbreds. Mare to Carnivalay.

NAIVE MISIYA, by Miswaki, b.f., April 16, by Concern. Louis Ferrari.

NO PENNIES, by Key to the Mint, b.c., April 20, by Pleasant Line. Robert Hook. Mare to Pleasant Line.

OH LORDIE, by Horatius, dk.b./br.f., April 30, by Oh Say. Gretchen B. Mobberley. Mare to Oh Say.

OVER FLY, by Blues Parade, b.c., April 20, by Polish Numbers. S. Bonsal White. Mare to Concern.

OYSTERCATCHER, by Proud Birdie, ch.f., April 24, by Two Punch. Mary A. Sullivan. Mare to Allen's Prospect.

PARIS TANGO, by Cure the Blues, ch.c., April 7, by Wayne County (Ire). Rachel Rosa. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

PERFECTLY, by Parfaitement, b.f., April 25, by Shelter Half. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. O'Donovan. Mare to Compelling Sound.

POLITICAL PARFAIT, by Diplomat Way, b.c., April 11, by Silver Deputy. Elk Manor Farm. Mare to Atticus.

PRINCESS ALOMA, by Aloma's Ruler, ch.f., February 3, by Pleasant Line. Raymond Ashe. Mare to Pleasant Line.

PRINCESS CASTLE, by *Slady Castle, b.c., March 28, by Hail Emperor. Copperville Farm.

QUICK SHIFT, by Double Zeus, b.f., April 14, by Norquestor. Crystal Park Stables, Inc. Mare to Compelling Sound.

QUOIT A MATE, by Waquoit, dk.b./br.f., March 26, by Bankbook. Robert Rosensteel and Robert McGill. Mare to Root Boy.

REBEKAH GRACE, by Thirty Eight Paces, b.f., April 11, by Ameri Valay. Richard Chaney. Mare to Norquestor.

REDSTARTE, by Mr. Redoy, dk.b./br.f., April 20, by Sultry Song. Stephen Mittleman.

ROWDY DEVIL, by Halo, b.c., April 20, by Waquoit. Bernard J. Daney. Mare to Opening Verse.

ROXIE LAROSE, by Rock Talk, dk.b./br.c., February 14, by Wayne County (Ire). Frank Giardina. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

RUMGUMPTION, by Time for a Change, gr./ro.c., April 19, by Fastness (Ire). Elk Manor Farm. Mare to Prized.

SAGAN, by Ogygian, b.f., April 14, by Deerhound. Lewis Wiley.

SARABARRERA, by Barrera, dk.b./br.c., May 8, by Aaron's Concorde. Gretchen B. Mobberley. Mare to Oh Say.

SATURDAY SUNSHINE, by Dahar, ch.f., April 5, by Two Punch. Dresden Farm. Mare to Two Punch.

SHEBA SHEBA, by Feel the Power, b.f., March 21, by Compelling Sound. Peter C. Burnett. Mare to Oh Say.

SMACK, by Two Punch, ch.f., March 20, by Rakeen. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh J. O'Donovan. Mare to Waquoit.

SOLARIZE, by Solar City, b.c., April 1, by Thirty Eight Paces. Dawn and Roland Kemp. Mare to Thirty Eight Paces.

SPARTAN MIST, by Wolf Power (SAf), ch.c., March 3, by Compelling Sound. Marathon Farm, Inc. Mare to Carnivalay.

SPEEDY TWEETIE, by Proud Birdie, b.c., April 20, by Rakeen. Victor and Valerie Stevens.

STALWART'S DREAM, by Stalwart, b.f., April 9, by Norquestor. Murmur Farm. Mare to Norquestor.

SUE, by Thirty Eight Paces, dk.b./br.f., April 8, by Deerhound. William Harris. Mare to Norquestor.

SUM SECRET, by Devil's Bag, gr./ro.f., January 29, by Two Punch. Elk Manor Farm and Ranney R. Moran. Mare to Two Punch.

SWEET REQUEST, by Norquestor, b.c., March 3, by Marine Brass. Murmur Farm. Mare to Root Boy.

THIS OLE QUEEN, by Princely Native, b.f., February 22, by Chimes Band. Elk Manor Farm. Mare to Glitterman.

TIPALLADE, by Acallade, b.f., March 14, by Fred Astaire. Alfred H. Smith Jr. Mare to Fred Astaire.

TWICE BOLDLY, by Anticipating, b.f., April 5, by Deerhound. Ken Holt.

VOO DOO DANCE, by Stage Door Johnny, b.c., February 9, by Prized. Elk Manor Farm. Mare to Colonial Affair.

WAINEE CHURCH, by *Hawaii, b.c., April 12, by Dixieland Band. Bayard Sharp.

WALTZ WITHME JANET, by Dancing Count, b.f., February 16, by Press Card. Christina M. Faircloth. Mare to In Case.

WAQUOIT'S TUNE, by Waquoit, gr./ro.f., April 29, by Concern. D. J. Federico.

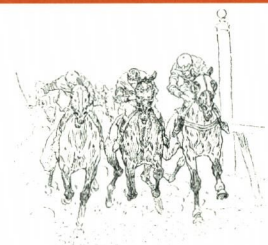
WHITE CLIFFS, by Dover Ridge, dk.b./br.f., February 2, by Wayne County (Ire). Ralph O' Connor. Mare to Wayne County (Ire).

WILD CHARMER, by Tom Rolfe, b.f., March 12, by Polish Numbers. Albert Coppola.

WITCHELLA, by Good John, b.f., May 11, by Whadjathink. Perry B. Stewart. Mare to Proud Truth.

ZENZAGIRL, by Zen, b.c., May 16, by Slavic. Dr. George E. Harmenting. Mare to Slavic.

ZETA SWEETHEART, by Stay the Course, b.f., March 19, by Fred Astaire. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Townsend. Mare to Oh Say.



MARYLAND-BRED STAKES WINNERS

Classy Ivor

Alfred M. Hunt Steeplechase
\$20,000-guaranteed, about 2½ mi., over timber, 6 & up. Middleburg, April 18.

Ch.g., 1990, by Sir Ivor Again—New Classic, by Seclusive. Bred by Marcia E. and H. Blaine Bealer; owned by J.T. Gable; trained by B. Cockburn. Foaled at Bealer Farm, Gapland, Md.

starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
*12	1 (1)	2	0	\$15,344
(through May 2)				

*Includes NSA sanctioned starts only

1998: 1st \$20,000 **Alfred M. Hunt Stp.**, about 2½ mi. over timber, 6 & up, Middleburg, April 18.

Creamy Dreamy

Jacob France Stakes
\$50,000-added, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up. Pimlico, May 10.

Ch.m., 1993, by Two Punch—Jane Russell, by What Luck. Bred and owned by Dresden Farm; trained by Katharine M. Voss. Foaled at Northview Stallion Station, Chesapeake City, Md.

starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
17	7 (3)	5 (1)	4 (3)	\$242,418
(through May 10)				

1996: 2nd **Bold Queen S.** **1997:** 1st \$100,000 **Sweet and Sassy H.**, 6 fur., fil-

lies and mares, 3 & up, Delaware, Aug. 10; \$75,000 **Floral Park H.**, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Belmont, Sept. 13; 3rd **Skipat S. Sham Say S.** **1998:** 1st \$50,000 **Jacob France S.**, 6 fur., fillies and mares, 3 & up, Pimlico, May 10; 3rd **Interborough H-G3.**

Teb's Bend

Margaret Currey Henley Spring Novice Championship

\$50,000-guaranteed, abt. 2¼ mi., over National fences, 4 & up who had not won over hurdles prior to March 15, 1997. Percy Warner, May 9.

Dk.b./br.g., 1993, by Whatever For—Bupersrose, by Bupers. Bred and owned by Mrs. Thomas H. Voss; trained by Thomas H. Voss. Foaled at Atlanta Hall Farm, Monkton, Md.

starts	1st	2nd	3rd	earnings
*15	5 (2)	3	2	\$156,620
(through May 9)				

*Includes NSA sanctioned starts only

1997: 1st \$75,000 **U.S. Championship Supreme Hurdle S.**, 2½ mi., turf, 3 & up, Pine Mountain, Nov. 1. **1998:** 1st \$50,000 **Margaret Currey Henley Spring Novice Championship**, abt. 2¼ mi., over National fences, 4 & up who had not won over hurdles prior to March 15, 1997, Percy Warner, May 9.

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JOHN ALDEN (Alden's Rainbow: Mar. 13, 5th race, \$383.29. Assault John: Mar. 1, 9th race, \$192.12; Mar. 14, 10th race, \$317.86): John Alden Syndicate—\$893.27.

MARINE BRASS (Fireside Brass: Feb. 28, 10th race, \$707.39; Mar. 22, 9th race, \$2,599.29): Murmur Farm and K.T. Leatherbury—\$3,306.68.

NORQUESTOR (Excellent Sequest: Mar. 20, 2nd race, \$273.78. Gladys J: Mar. 14, 8th race, \$973.43. Song Request: Mar. 15, 9th race, \$352.23): Norquestor Syndicate—\$1,599.44.

NORTHERN WOLF (Baltimore Gray: Feb. 28, 11th race, \$608.40): Northern Wolf Syndicate.

OH SAY (Harry's Last Love: Mar. 1, 8th race, \$669.23. Oh Flutter: Mar. 20, 8th race, \$669.23): Oh Say Syndicate—\$1,338.46.

OPENING VERSE (Please Baby Please: Mar. 8, 9th race, \$192.12): Opening Verse Syndicate.

POLES APART (A Good Pole: Mar. 20, 1st race, \$258.57): Estate of John A. Manfuso Sr.

POLISH NUMBERS (Leading Question: Mar. 12, 6th race, \$882.17. She's No Ten: Mar. 27, 1st race, \$365.04): Polish Numbers Syndicate—\$1,247.21.

PROUD TRUTH (Just for Laughs: Mar. 8, 2nd race, \$456.30. Majestic Cloud: Mar. 27, 4th race, \$349.83. Roby: Mar. 6, 6th race, \$499.52. Thor's Lucky: Mar. 21, 3rd race, \$565.81. Truth and Nobility: Mar. 1, 9th race, \$352.23;

Mar. 14, 10th race, \$577.98): Proud Truth Syndicate—\$2,801.67.

PROVIDENTIAL (Ire) (Up in the Air: Mar. 15, 6th race, \$669.23): Providential (Ire) Syndicate.

ROOT BOY (D. L. Spring: Mar. 11, 2nd race, \$471.51; Mar. 25, 4th race, \$669.23. R B's Dancer: Mar. 13, 3rd race, \$243.36. R B's Snipe: Mar. 7, 3rd race, \$419.79): Richard Blue—\$1,803.89.

SALUTELY (Admiral Bo: Mar. 6, 4th race, \$608.40): Salutely Syndicate.

SEWICKLEY (Give a Little Love: Mar. 22, 3rd race, \$288.99. Sewickleyville: Feb. 26, 9th race, \$365.04): Robert S. Evans—\$654.03.

SHELTER HALF (Sweeter Half: Feb. 28, 2nd race, \$365.04): Shelter Half Syndicate.

SMARTEN (G. O'Keefe: Mar. 14, 10th race, \$1,733.93. Green-spring Willy: Mar. 8, 9th race, \$1,921.25. Maragold Princess: Mar. 15, 9th race, \$192.12. Original Gray: Mar. 4, 8th race, \$912.59; Mar. 21, 9th race, \$169.07): Smarten Syndicate—\$4,928.96.

SMELLY (Take the Stand: Mar. 14, 11th race, \$365.04): Robert M. Watkins.

TANK (General Pershing: Mar. 29, 4th race, \$383.29): Tank Syndicate.

TEN KEYS (Ten Down: Mar. 11, 4th race, \$310.28): Charles Linhoss.

THIRTY EIGHT PACES (Set the Pace: Feb. 28, 1st race, \$529.30): Double Paces Stable.

TWO PUNCH (Centurian: Mar. 4, 6th race, \$608.40. Flying Punch: Mar. 29, 6th race, \$492.80. Heavenly Eclipse: Mar. 18, 8th race, \$821.33. I Smokin: Mar. 7, 8th race,

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Sky Buster follows a path similar to that of his "uncle" Teb's Bend. Like Teb's Bend, Sky Buster flashed promise on the flat (a second and three thirds) before moving to steeplechasing. Like Teb's Bend, he may move back. "I think we'll try to break his maiden on the flat at Saratoga; he can do that, and worry about jumping in the fall or late at Saratoga," said Voss.

"He's been a very slow horse coming to himself, but I always took my time with him because I didn't want him to get like his mother—she was a pain when she got fit."

\$912.59. Jolly Punch: Mar. 26, 4th race, \$699.65): Two Punch Syndicate—\$3,534.77.

WAQUOIT (Bill Luckett: Mar. 8, 3rd race, \$228.15. Slew O'Quoit: Mar. 20, 7th race, \$669.23. Stream Crossing:

Voss closed his day by getting a win out of the hard-luck Doctor C, who entered the \$10,000 maiden claiming hurdle with three seconds (including two straight to start 1998) in seven steeplechase starts. Apprentice Troy Lively's five-pound allowance helped the cause as Doctor C gamely fought off Greek Julip to win by a nose for owners Caroline and Gerald Stautberg.

The one-two finishers hooked up on the backside the final time and finished 13 lengths ahead of third-place horse Panama Jay. Voss put Lively on Doctor C for the five-pound allowance, and got what he wanted.

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Mar. 12, 8th race, \$882.17): Waquoit Syndicate—\$1,779.55.

WILLARD SCOTT (Weather Vane: Mar. 1, 9th race, \$640.42): Quality Hill Stable and Murmur Farm.

Potomac Hunt races prove competitive, despite wet weather

by Joe Clancy Jr.

Rain didn't wash away the Potomac Hunt races on May 9, but it did take away some of the day's sparkle. Usually a sun-splashed afternoon out for Maryland steeplechase fans and a host of loyal race sponsors including Smith Barney and NationsBank, Potomac produced a wet and muddy day—and several good races.

In the co-featured open hurdle, worth \$5,000, New Zealand-bred veteran Deal Again relished the going and took care of a quality field that included NSA winners Morning Mass and Sunny Bird. Owned and trained by Virginian Jimmy Day, Deal Again surged to the lead as the compact field of six moved to the backside. A bold jump at the first on the backstretch gave him a commanding lead and forced Morning Mass to play catch-up.

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"The horse is only about 14 hands so I thought I tried to do him a favor—and it worked," the trainer said.

Arcadia Stable's Maipo won the only other steeplechase on the card, taking a \$15,000 maiden hurdle for trainer Charlie Fenwick. A 5-year-old by Top-sider, Maipo sat behind rapid pacesetter Northern Task through two miles and rallied when asked in the stretch to win going away for jockey J.W. Delozier.

Third in four classy flat starts for Fenwick last year, Maipo confirmed some advance billing and set Arcadia up with a summer allowance horse. "We had high hopes for him and felt like he was coming around to living up to those expectations," said Fenwick. "He seemed to enjoy what he was doing and do everything com-

Ridden by a fist-pumping Tom Foley, Deal Again surged through the stretch to win by four and a half lengths. Morning Mass (Troy Lively) finished well for second, but did not threaten the winner, while Gorfen Letch (GB) rallied for third.

A \$5,000 open timber started as a three-horse race and turned into a laughter as Rokella parted company with David DeMichele with a stumble on the flat and Corona Effect fell hard at the second-last fence.

That left Waukey, whose performance wound up taken for granted but still looked impressive. The gray assumed the pace just before Rokella dropped out and took control of the race with a pace-quicken- ing move late. Jockey Simon Hobson let out a notch and the race looked over. Corona Effect was trying to stay close when he fell, leaving Waukey plenty

fortably, which I'm not sure was happening before."

Maipo finished second at Aiken and fourth in a quality Sport of Kings maiden at Atlanta before running poorly at Great Meadow (fifth, beaten 25 lengths).

"He would have benefited from J.W. being on him that day (Delozier was injured in an earlier race and Jody Petty substituted) because the horse does take a little getting used to," Fenwick said. "After Aiken, we had higher hopes than we probably should have at Atlanta and were a little disappointed. But he was beaten just three lengths."

Two other flat races started Fair Hill's day, with Land On Go taking the opener for owner Nancy Vanier and trainer Ricky Hendriks. Rage Au Coeur, a 15-1 longshot despite \$224,000 in lifetime earnings, completed the daily double for White Cross Stable and trainer Luke Poulos.

of time to pop the last and gallop in alone.

Once part of the Augustin Stable powerhouse steeplechase string, Waukey took up timber in 1996 and won twice (Winterthur Point-to-Point and the Genesee Valley maiden). Sold to Wood, the horse became an owner/rider timber specialist.

"The horse is OK, and a nice old horse who does the owner-rider well," said Hobson. "It was the end of the season and they thought they'd try to get a little money with him. It worked out well."

Club Hal Stable's Act of Knowledge captured the \$2,500 novice timber, but found some control, unlike his win at the Fair Hill point-to-point in April.

Trained and ridden by Paddy Neilson, the 8-year-old son of Known Fact controlled the race from the outset and drew off to win by ten lengths over Double Redouble.

Much more settled than he was at Fair Hill, Act of Knowledge continues to improve after falling while in front in the Murray Memorial at the Grand National, his only sanctioned steeplechase start. The 8-year-old won on the flat as a 2-year-old in 1992 and was zero-forten the following year.

New purchase Darn That Erica gave owner Irv Naylor an elusive win, his first since 1996 after a string of seconds on the point-to-point and NSA levels.

Claimed by trainer Brooks Durkee at the Fair Grounds in Louisiana over the winter (and then sold to Naylor), Darn That Erica led at every step of the \$1,000 maiden hurdle to win by 15 over Key to the Jag. Lively rode the winner, a 5-year-old son of Darn That Alarm. Second (via disqualification) over hurdles when trained by Jonathan Sheppard last fall at Aiken, Darn That Erica backed up his Potomac win with a de-

cent second at Radnor in an NSA maiden hurdle.

Rod Cameron won the hunter chase timber with eventual Maryland Governor's Cup champion Longlegged Paul—who later lost jockey Burley Cocks while smashing into a beacon in the novice timber—in a walkover.

Flat races rounded out Potomac's busy card, with Nancy Vanier's Land On Go taking the ladies race for jockey Teresa Borchardt. Hometown horse R.B. Billy gave Potomac race chairmen Skip Crawford and Peter Hitchen a win in the closer, an open flat race.

1998 Maryland point-to-point results

HOWARD COUNTY-IRON BRIDGE (March 21)

Linton Mile. Flat race. About 1 mile. Time: 1:44.8 1-Schanen Stables' KUNTASH; trainer T. Voss; 2-T. Wyatt. 2-Stern Racing Stable, Inc.'s Key to the Dungeon; D. Stern; R. Leaf Jr. 3-The Fields Stable's Brigade of Guards; T. Voss; J. Gillet. 4-Frank E. Richardson's Precious Lamb; D. Smithwick; A. White. 5-Donald R. Reuwer's Nevernoturningback; D. Reuwer; M. Leaf.

Howard County Open Timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:08.2 1-Armata Stables' DECEPTIVE STROKE; trainer/rider W. Meister. 2-Philip R. Benson's Blacken Sword; trainer/rider D. Benson; 3-Mrs. Rufus M.G. Williams's Finder's Terms; trainer/rider J. Fisher; DQ-Cheltenham Stable's Personamate; J. Bosley; J. Kiser.

Meriwether. Flat. About 1 mile. Time: 1:54.4 1-Warren R. Dempsey's UNCLE ALBIE; trainer T. Voss; rider J. Kiser. 2-Springmeade Farm's Old Firehouse; L. Smith; T. Lively. 3-Thomas L. Ashbridge III's Rock Eagle; D. Smithwick; J. DeMichele. 4-Frank E. Richardson's Paoli Doc; D. Smithwick; A. White.

Alda Clark Plate Novice Timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:14.6 1-Move-Up Stables' SWAYO; trainer A. Stewart; rider J. Gillet. 2-Mrs. Thomas Voss's Sam Sullivan; T. Voss; J. Kiser. 3-Irvin S. Naylor's Uncle Uno; J. Fisher; L. Naylor.

Cattail River Pony Races. Small pony. About 3/10 to 1/2-mile. 1-Dory Wiseman's HIP HIP HOORAY; trainer/rider owner. 2-Lilith Boucher's Snoopy; owner; R. Winants. Medium ponies. Tara Grievos's CAPTAIN NEMO; trainer/rider Jazz Napravnik. 2-Elizabeth Harphan's Summer's Bounty; owner; E. Kursh. Large ponies. Dory Wiseman's PEPSI; trainerBarry Wiseman; rider owner. 2-Sabrina Morris' Pease Blossom; trainer/rider owner. 3-Trae Reuwer's Chessi James; trainer/rider owner.

Jack Moberley Junior Flat. About 3/4-mile. Time: 0:57.8 1-Matthew Bright's KRAMER; trainer/rider owner. 2-Sun Rise Stable's Farah's Moment; trainer/rider J. Napravnik. OC-David F. Johnson's Case Ace; trainer/rider C. Johnson. OC-Mrs. R.S. Killebrew Jr.'s Starquester; H. Durkee; J. Beavers.

Hunter Chase Timber. For fairly hunted horses. Time: 7:04. About 3 miles. 1-Rod Cameron's LONGLEGGED PAUL; trainer/rider owner. 2-

F. Warrington Gillet's B.L.'s Brass; trainer/ rider owner.

Founders' Cup. Foxhunter timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:43.6. 1-Our Farm's FIERY ROB; trainer/ rider L. Kuteroff. 2-Samuel R. Knisley's Grand n Gallant; trainer/ rider owner.

MARLBOROUGH HUNT RACES (March 29)

Raymond Ruppert Memorial. *Small ponies.* About ¼-mile. Time: 0:21. 1-Jennifer Addis' ANGEL IN DISGUISE; trainer/ rider owner. 2-Dory Wiseman's Hip Hip Hooray; trainer/ rider owner. 3-Lilith Boucher's Snoopy; owner; R. Winants. *Medium ponies.* About ½-mile. Time: 0:33.4. 1-Ryan Strider's DAPPLE BROWN; trainer/ rider owner. 2-Dr. Michael Strider's Alley Cat; trainer/ rider A. Repenning. 3-Tara Grieco's Captain Nemo; trainer/ rider J. Napravnik. *Large ponies.* About ¾-mile. Time: 0:38. 1-Ann D. Stewart's JAY; trainer/ rider A. Knox. 2-Dory Wiseman's Pepsi; B. Wiseman; owner. 3-Highland Glen's Dylan; E. Keller; A. Blakely. 4-Sabrina Morris' Pease Blossom; trainer/ rider owner.

William H. Brooke Maiden Flat. (1st division) About 1 mile. Time: 1:57.6. 1-William M. Rickman's ACTION MAN; trainer/ rider T. Borchardt. 2-Whitewood Farm's Laelaps; J. Lawrence; B. Miller. 3-Mrs. Thomas Voss' Sky Buster; T. Voss; J. Kiser. 4-Mrs. Henry Stern's Kanawha; J. Fisher; A. Wilson. 5-Paul R. Fout's Send; D. Fout; C. McCarron. 6-John M. Peace's Yankee Colony; F. Miller; C. Miller. 7-William Buehler's Sailboat Sam; J. Wakefield; A. Davison. 8-Thomas P. McGivern's Marty's Dream; owner; T. Lively. 9-Mary Fleming Finlay's Southern Light; owner; S. Hobson. 10-Mrs. Miles Valentine's Punch Up; L. Neilson III; R. Horgan. 11-William Pearson's Ben's Message; M. Pearson; E. Horner.

William H. Brooke Maiden Flat. (2nd division) About 1 mile. Time: 1:59.8. 1-Kingfisher Farm's COSTLY FUN; trainer/ rider J. Fisher. 2-Jonathan Sheppard's Barrow Point; owner; T. Laprata. 3-Stud Aire Farms' Sports Pass; A. Morris; R. Boucher. 4-Patricia Bosley's Loyal Spirit; L. Bosley; T. Wyatt. 5-Charles W. Strittmatter's Popular Gigoal; F. Miller; P. Daniels. 6-Foxbrook Farm's Bennett's Hill; M. Fanning; R. Horgan. 7-Albert P. Coppola's Seattle Runaway; T. White; M. Cooney. 8-Robert Verotti's Miss Formal Affair; M. Moran; A. Moran. 9-Thomas P. McGivern's Santa Ana Sam; owner; A. Delong. 10-Turner/ Worrall's Webster Valley; D. Smithwick; H. McCarron.

John D. Bowling Maiden Hurdle. About 2 miles. Time: 4:01.4. 1-Springmeade Farm's OLD FIREHOUSE; L. Smith; T. Lively. 2-Green Stripe Stables' Aggro Crag; H. Durkee; J. Delozier III. 3-Mrs. Henry Stern's Darnitapalm; A. Wilson. 4-The Fields Stable's Approaching Squall; T. Voss; J. Kiser. PU-Kingfisher Farm's Probably Won't; trainer/ rider J. Fisher. PU-Glencoe Stable's Special Haam; D. Smithwick; A. White.

Benjamin H.C. Bowie Novice Timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:56.6. 1-Kingfisher Farm's HOLZMANN; trainer J. Fisher; A. Wilson. 2-Mrs. John R.S. Fisher's Newport; trainer/ rider J. Fisher.

Raborg Maiden Hurdle. About 2 miles. Time: 4:06.8. 1-Fox Ridge Farm's COXTAIL; trainer T. Voss; rider J. Kiser. 2-Mrs. F. Eugene Dixon Jr.'s Charlie's Devan; trainer/ rider J. Fisher. 3-L. McNemar's Bee Tough; R. Horgan. 4-Frank E. Richardson's Paoli Doc; D. Smithwick; A. White. PU-Mrs. Henry Stern's Quail Ridge Sub; J. Fisher; A. Wilson.

Trident Plate. Open flat. About 1 mile. Time: 1:55.6. 1-Mrs. Henry Stern's ASSURANCE; trainer J. Fisher; rider A. Wilson. 2-Raymond C. Moffett Jr.'s Double Found; M. Smithwick; S. Hobson. 3-R.C.'s A/C Stable's General Lark; J. Cornwell; M. McCarron. 4-Clearance Code. 5-Frank Petramalo Jr.'s Oscar Max; D. McClure; M. Cooney. 6-R.C.'s A/C Stable's Wham Song Kisham; J. Cornwell; D. Duncan. 7-Mrs. Rufus M.G. Williams' Catagat; trainer/ rider J. Fisher. 8-Hume Stables' Denied Entry; M. Pearson; E. Horner. 9-Mrs. Gary W. Brooks' Spicy Mo; H. Durkee; A. Finney.

Lansdale G. Sasser Junior Flat. About 1 mile. Time: 1:58. 1-Mrs. Jack B. Voss's BOCA PAILA; trainer T. Voss; rider W. Cushny. 2-Mrs. R.S. Killebrew Jr.'s Starquester; M. Durkee; J. Beavers. 3-Matthew Bright's Kramer; trainer/ rider owner. 4-Sun Rise Stable's Farah's Moment; trainer/ rider J. Napravnik.

John Murray Begg Open Timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:14. 1-Cary W. Jackson's IVORGIAN; trainer/ rider J. Fisher. 2-Warren R. Dempsey's Tyrendarra; F. Miller; C. Miller. 3-Frank E. Richardson's Mr. Skylark; D. Smithwick; A. White. 4-Thomas Schweizer Jr.'s Kinkajou; N. Schweizer; E. Cocks. 5-Mrs.

Paul R. Fout's Lexington Ball; D. Fout; H. Durkee.

Mattaponi. Open flat. ARCA riders. About 2 miles. Time: 4:03. 1-Mrs. Edgar Scott Jr.'s SERENITY PRAYER; trainer F. Miller; rider P. Daniels. 2-Warren R. Dempsey's Soaringoverseattle; T. Voss; T. Wyatt. 3-Charles W. Strittmatter's Patrician Power; F. Miller; E. Graham.

ELKRIDGE-HARFORD POINT-TO-POINT (April 4)

George C. Clement Novice Timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:28.4. 1-Philip R. Benson's BLACKEN SWORD; trainer/ rider D. Benson. 2-Jack S. Griswold's Main Tickle; H. Fenwick; B. Durkee. 3-Thomas L. Ashbridge III's Whiskey for Mike; D. Smithwick; M. Elmore. 4-Thomas L. Ashbridge III's J.P.'s Emperor; D. Smithwick; A. White. 5-Mrs. John R.S. Fisher's Newport; trainer/ rider J. Fisher.

Edward S. Voss Open Timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:34. 1-Armata Stables' WELTER WEIGHT; T. Voss; M. Elmore. 2-Irvin S. Naylor's Uncle Uno; J. Fisher; I. Naylor. 3-Batchelor's Hall's Florida Law; T. Voss; J. Gillet. 4-Daniel Schuster's Baltic Chief; P. Fenwick; J. Bosley. 5-Russell B. Clark's Good Lord; H. Fenwick. 6-Gail L. McGuire's Dragon Joe; owner; G. Donnan. PU-Mrs. Miles Valentine's He's Got Rhythm (Ire); trainer/ rider L. Neilson III.

Alfred Smithwick Junior Races. *Small ponies.* About ¼-mile. 1-Dory Wiseman's HIP HIP HOORAY; trainer/ rider owner. 2-Turner Williams' Midnight Snack; T. Williams; V. Williams. 3-Ashton Williams' Undercover Agent; trainer/ rider owner. *Large ponies.* About ¾-mile. 1-Ann D. Stewart's JAY; trainer/ rider A. Knox. 2-Lillie Kurtinecz's Shiloh; D. Kurtinecz; owner. *Junior horses.* About 1 mile. 1-Charles Busta's SUNDAY EDITION; trainer H. Durkee; rider W. Cushny. 2-Matthew Bright's Kramer; trainer/ rider owner. 3-Kingfisher Farm's Maori Marvel; J. Fisher; C. Finney. 4-Sun Rise Stable's Farah's Moment; trainer/ rider J. Napravnik.

B. Frank Christmas Maiden Flat. About 1 mile. Time: 1:29.2. 1-Mrs. Thomas Voss's SKY BUSTER; trainer T. Voss; rider J. Kiser. 2-Ann W. Merryman's Charmed Circle; E. Hendricks; S. Worley. 3-Turner/ Worrall's Webster Valley; D. Smithwick; A. White. 4-Mrs. Miles Valentine's Punch Up; L. Neilson III; R. Horgan. 5-Warren R. Dempsey's Reveille Run; T. Voss; J. Kiser. UP-Ambrose W. Young's Prince Stanley Jr.; owner; C. Prouty. UP-Three Rose Stable's Neon River; G. Coyle; P. Drachman. DQ-Charlie Frock's Bunnie's Bad Boy; trainer/ rider owner.

Jane Watters Small Open Flat. ARCA riders. About 1 mile. Time: 1:34. 1-Mrs. Thomas Voss's TEB'S BEND; trainer T. Voss; rider T. Wyatt. 2-Frank E. Richardson's Precious Lamb; D. Smithwick; A. White. 3-Warren R. Dempsey's Rainaroo; T. McGivern; E. Cocks. 4-Claudia A. White's Gala Show Biz; D. Smithwick; A. White. 5-Mrs. Miles Valentine's Quadrime (GB); L. Neilson III; R. Horgan. 6-Donald R. Reuwer's Nevernoturningback; owner; M. Leaf. 7-Ambrose W. Young's Sea in Flash; owner; C. Prouty. 8-Wild West Stables' Preciado; J. Trone; E. Cocks. UP-H. Bruce Fenwick's Maggie Day; owner; E. Gaertner.

Babe Saportas Ladies Timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:29. 1-Mrs. Thomas Voss's SAM SULLIVAN; T. Voss; C. Prouty. 2-Thomas L. Ashbridge III's Rock Eagle; D. Smithwick; A. White. 3-Our Farm's Fiery Rob; trainer/ rider L. Kuteroff.

MY LADY'S MANOR (April 11)

My Lady's Manor Steeplechase, 3 miles over timber. Purse \$17,500. Time: 6:01. 1-Clarke Ohrstrom's HOPEWELL (Ire) (b.g., 10, Saint Cyrien—Ambivalent, by Val de l'Orne-Fr.); trainer Richard Valentine; rider C. Ryan. 2-Butler Stable's Thor Thors; H.B. Durkee. 3-C.W. Jackson's Dusty Corner; trainer/ rider J. Fisher. Also ran: Reputed Dancer, Ninewa, Fassfern, He's Got Rhythm, Sarkis, Floating Interest (fell).

John Rush Street Memorial, 3 miles over timber. Purse \$10,000. Time: 6:03. 1-Tim Schweizer's KINKAJOU (dk.b./br.g., 7, Assault Landing—Snow Leopard, by Northern Raja); trainer Nick Schweizer; rider E.B. Cocks. 2-Move Up Stable's Swayo; A. Stewart; J. Gillet. 3-Kinross Farm's Frost a Lot; N. Morris. Also ran: You Made Me Do It, Bronze Angle, Flow Mio, Leonative (lost rider), Deceptive Stroke (pulled up).

GRAND NATIONAL (April 18)

Grand National Steeplechase, about 3 miles over timber. Purse \$30,000. Time: 6:06½. 1-Arcadia Stable's BUCK JAKES (g.r.g., 10, Turkoman-Acharmer, by Al Hattab); trainer Charles Fenwick Jr.; rider A. Moran. 2-Arma-

Governor's Cup final standings

Steeplechase Horse

(Trophy): **Welter Weight.**

Owned by Armata

Stables; trained by Tom

Voss; ridden by Mike

Elmore. Won at Elkridge-

Harford and finished

second in Grand

National and Maryland

Hunt Cup. Won

championship trophy, a

bronze by Jean Clagett,

for third straight year.

Novice Timber Horse (\$500):

Sam Sullivan. Owned

by Mimi Voss; trained by

Tom Voss; ridden by

Jonathan Kiser and

Celeste Prouty. Won at

Fair Hill, finished second

at Howard County-Iron

Bridge. Also won ladies

timber race at Elkridge-

Harford.

Hunter Chase Timber (horse

cooler and trophy):

Longleged Paul.

Owned/ trained/ ridden

by Rod Cameron. Won at

Howard County and

Potomac.

Trainer (\$1,000): **Tom Voss.**

Trained champions

Welter Weight and Sam

Sullivan, and won

Maryland Hunt Cup

with Florida Law.

Rider (trophy): **Joe Gillet.**

Rode Floating Interest,

Swayo, Florida Law to

victories.

Junior Rider (Bit of Britain

gift certificate): **Dory**

Wiseman. Rode small

pony Hip Hip Hooray

and large pony Pepsi to

victories.

ta Stables' Welter Weight; Thomas H. Voss; M. Elmore. 3-Bachelors' Hall's Florida Law; Thomas H. Voss; J. Gillet. Also ran: Uncle Uno, Jolly Boo, Baltic Chief (pulled up).

Benjamin H. Murray Memorial, about 3 miles over timber for non-winners of two sanctioned races over timber. Purse \$15,000. Time: 6:04½. 1-Augustin Stables' the FLOATING INTEREST (dk.b./br.g., 8, Lord Avie-Light Ship, by Majestic Light); trainer Sanna Neilson; rider J. Gillet. 2-Michael Hoffman's Solo Lord; F. Bruce Miller; owner. Also ran: Act of Knowledge (fell), Flood Relief (fell), Dragon Joe (off course), Belfast Valley (pulled up).

John K. Shaw Memorial, open flat, about 2 miles on the turf. Time: 3:31½. 1-William C. MacMillen Jr.'s MUMBLEMOOD; trainer Charles C. Fenwick Jr.; rider J. Hannum III. 2-Mrs. Charles C. Fenwick Jr.'s Talkin Butter; Charles C. Fenwick Jr.; D. Brewster. 3-S.K. Johnston Jr.'s Ask Don; Janet Elliot; B. Petterson. Also ran: Maori Marvel, Probably Won't.

Wild Goose Chase, 2 miles on the turf, for riders who had ridden in the Grand National prior to 1990. 1-TARSKY; rider Irvin S. Naylor. 2-Golden Music; Russell B. Jones Jr. 3-B.L.'s Brass; F.W. Gillet III. Also ran (not in order): Main Tickle (Jack Griswold), Grenada (H. Turney McKnight), Commanding Dance (Douglas Worrall), Johnny Garland (Thomas Voss), Talk Acall (Kingdon Gould Jr.), Tigors (A. Patrick Smithwick), Jupiter's Sword (Charles C. Fenwick Jr.), Class Valor (Carl J. Meister Jr.), Speculative Hold (F. Bruce Miller), Bendigo (Eugene F. Weymouth).

MARYLAND HUNT CUP (April 25)

Maryland Hunt Cup, 4 miles over timber. Purse \$50,000. Time: 8:44½. 1-Bachelors' Hall's FLORIDA LAW (ro.g., 12, Wardlaw-Audrey's Joy, by Daryl's Joy); Thomas H. Voss; J. Gillet. 2-Armata Stables' Welter Weight; Thomas H. Voss; M. Elmore. 3-William D. Class Jr.'s Sarkis; trainer/ rider William Meister. Also ran: Reputed Dancer, Uncle Uno, Buck Jakes (fell), Tarsky (fell).

POTOMAC HUNT (May 9)

Pony Races. *Small ponies.* About ¼-mile. 1-Dory Wiseman's HIP HIP HOORAY; trainer/ rider owner. 2-Hampton Addis' Angel In Disguise; trainer/ rider owner. *Medium ponies.* About ½-mile. 1-Tara Grieco's CAPTAIN NEMO; trainer C. Napravnik; rider J. Napravnik. 2-Matthew Fields' In Search of Gold; R. Fields; owner. 3-Helen Makarov's Beach Ball; A.

Makarov; S. Gibson. *Large ponies.* About ¾-mile. 1-Ann D. Stewart's JAY; trainer/ rider A. Knox. 2-Josh Beavers' Surf Dancer; N. Colebrook-Robjent; owner. 3-Dory Wiseman's Pepsi; B. Wiseman; owner. 4-Sun Rise Stable's Rascal; trainer/ rider J. Napravnik.

Kiplinger Cup. Owner/ rider hunter chase timber. About 2½ miles. Time: 4:25.6. 1-Rod Cameron's LONGLEGGED PAUL; trainer/ rider owner.

Maiden hurdle. About 2 miles. Time: 4:25.6. 1-Irvin S. Naylor's DARN THAT ERICA; trainer H. Durkee; rider T. Lively. 2-Alex G. Copson's Key to the Jag; N. Twyman; W. Winants. 3-Sheehy-Moffett Stable's Bella's Pride; M. Smithwick; D. DeMichele. 4-W. Gary Baker's Charge On; D. Yovanovich; G. Kingsley. F-Free Union Stable's Holahan; C. Payne; S. Hobson. PU-Joseph M. Rogers' Silver Eagle (Chit); J. Rogers; J. Bosley.

Open timber. About ¾ miles. Time: 7:09.1. 1-Henry G. Wood Jr.'s WAUKEY; trainer M. Smithwick; rider S. Hobson. F-Corona Effect. LR-David DeMichele's Rokella; trainer/ rider owner.

Ladies flat. About 1½ miles. Time: 3:12. 1-Nancy Vanier's LAND ON GO; trainer J. Clancy; rider T. Borchardt. 2-Kinross Farm's The Weasel; N. Morris; D. Pearson. 3-Helen Makarov's Bubba Jove; L. Condon; N. Colebrook-Robjent.

Open hurdle. About 2½ miles. Time: 4:44.6. 1-Daybreak Stables' DEAL AGAIN (NZ); J. Day; T. Foley. 2-Hitchen-Crawford Stable's Morning Mass; T. McGivern; T. Lively. 3-Sheehy-Moffett Stable's Gorfen Letch (GB); M. Smithwick; S. Hobson. 4-Ben Swope's Gallant Tiger; trainer/ rider owner. 5-W. Gary Baker's Cahineveen; D. Yovanovich; G. Kingsley. PU-Phil R. Benson's Sunny Bird; trainer/ rider D. Benson.

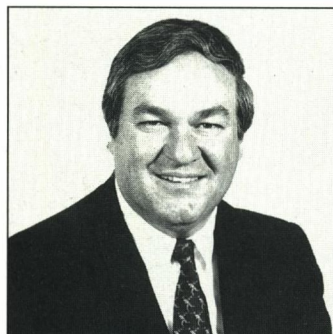
Novice timber. About 3 miles. Time: 6:02. 1-Club Hal Stable's ACT OF KNOWLEDGE; trainer/ rider L. Neilson III. 2-W. Gary Baker's Double Redouble; M. Smithwick; D. DeMichele. DQ-Rodion Cantacuzene's Tag Me Not; A. White; M. Cooney. F-Rod Cameron's Longleged Paul; owner; E. Cocks. PU-Russell B. Clark's Good Lord; trainer/ rider H. Fenwick.

Open flat. About 1¼ miles. Time: 3:34.1. 1-Crawford-Hitchen Stable's R.B. BILLY; trainer T. McGivern; rider E. Cocks. 2-Foxbrook Farm's Stage Radiance; trainer/ rider L. Neilson III. 3-Ben Swope's Justcallmecasey; trainer/ rider owner.



HORSE PATHS

Gene Conti: state official brings racing into focus



afternoon at the track, came face-to-face with a billion-dollar state industry that has long been among Maryland's greatest assets, and now is one of its most vulnerable.

The Conti Commission's recommendations, presented to the Governor and legislature last November, were comprehensive and far-reaching and included the \$10-million state grant (for 1998-'99) that has since become a reality.

Conti, meanwhile, became an unabashed fan of racing, describing it as "an exciting sport . . . a thinking person's sport. . . the horses are incredible."

This summer, the 12-member Conti Commission will reconvene to consider the issues, which "haven't gone away," in the words of the chairman. Public meetings are planned by the Conti Commission, as well as cooperation with the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, through which televi-

sion account wagering may be brought to Maryland.

Who, you may wonder, is Eugene Conti, and how did he become a key figure in Maryland racing?

Horse racing is within the domain of the Department of Labor, Licensing & Regulation (DLLR), which—as its title suggests—is the state agency that keeps tabs on all sorts of businesses, from banking and real estate to cosmetology. Conti has served as DLLR Secretary since January, 1996.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pa., Conti prepared for his present duties with a variety of experiences, not the least of which were a Ph.D. in anthropology and a master's degree in public policy earned between 1972 and 1978 at Duke University.

From 1979 until early '87, Conti worked at the U.S. Office

of Management and Budget and the U.S. Treasury Department. His career took a more political bent when he served (from 1987 to 1993) as chief of staff for Congressman David E. Price (Distr. 4, N.C.).

The three years prior to his appointment at DLLR were spent at the U.S. Department of Transportation, where Conti was Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs.

Secretary Conti and his wife Jennifer Wingard live in Chevy Chase, and have two grown sons: Aidan, who graduated from Duke University in 1993 and is pursuing graduate work at Oxford University in England; and Marcus, who got a degree from Oberlin College in 1997 and is employed at an economic and statistical research firm in Rockville.



IN MEMORIAM

Martha Breedlove

Martha Sterbak Breedlove, a former Maryland Horse Shows Association president who was elected to the MHSA hall of fame in 1990, died March 4 of complications from kidney disease. She was 59.

Mrs. Breedlove, a native of the Washington, D.C., area, excelled in junior and working hunter competition competition in the 1950s, winning nine consecutive Gittings horsemanship awards and finishing third and fourth in the American Horse Shows Association medal finals at the National Horse Show in 1956 and '55.

More recently, she was an AHSA R-rated judge.

Mrs. Breedlove was predeceased by her husband Rod Breedlove, a former Washington Redskins player. She is survived by two daughters and a son.

Elsie Foster Jenkins

Elsie Foster Jenkins, 63, a "grand lady of Maryland fox-hunting," died in May.

A native of Worthington Valley, the former Elsie Foster graduated from Garrison Forest School in 1953 and married T. Courtenay Jenkins the following year. They made their home at Melinda's Prospect in the Worthington Valley, where Mrs. Jenkins used to raise foxhounds. Mr. Jenkins died in 1985.

Mrs. Jenkins was a member of the Green Spring Valley Hounds and Elkridge-Harford Hunt Club. She stopped participating in hunts in the early 1980s, but remained a hilltopper.

Survivors include three sons, Arthur, Courtenay and Henry Jenkins; a daughter, Pattie Jenkins Dillon; and her mother, Pattie Symington Penniman.



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